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DEATH ROBS THE COUNTY

Chairman O. W. Longdon of the Board of Supervisors Taken.

Has Represented This District on the Board for the Past Seven Years.

O. W. Longdon, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, who has represented this district on the board for the past seven years, died Friday of last week at his home at East San Gabriel. His demise was due to a complication of kidney and heart trouble.

Death has claimed him just at a time when his future seemed to promise the most.

His splendid efforts against evil influences in the public service had won him a place of high honor. No man in the entire county administration was more genuinely respected. He was looked to as a coming man.

Mr. Longdon was elected by the Board of Supervisors to take the place of Supervisor Woodward seven years ago. From the moment of his taking office, he was identified with the best and most intelligent courses of action.

On the retirement of Supervisor Field he was elected to the important position of chairman. It is a position of great responsibilities. It embraces problems of difficult financiering, bond floating, road building, lawsuits involving many thousands of dollars, practical farming, wholesale marketing, real estate transactions, and investments. H[illegible]

There came problems of fights for water frontage in which one had to look forward years into the future. There were almost innumerable ructions to be adjusted between employees, and fueds between petty officials.

Perhaps Mr. Longdon's greatest work was in the fighting the unjust attempt of the State Board of Equalization to press a heavy tax rate upon this county. With nearly all the board against him, with representatives of other counties there to place obstacles in his way, he steered this difficult matter through with the most astute diplomacy.

QUIET MAN OF ACTION.

He was a quite man, but a man of action, and of the greatest personal charm. For years the board has been split into two factions; yet he managed his chairman's office with such tact that there have been but a few slight outbreaks of this bitterness.

Some of the pleasant relations of Mr. Longdon's official life were with the newspaper men, who had for him the warmest admiration and confidence. He seemed to be indifferent to the charms of newspaper notoriety himself—whatever they may be—but always recognized the right of the public to be informed as to the transaction of public business.

He very seldom took part in the bickering that goes back and forth in the hottest meetings of the board. Sometimes the feeling has been strained almost to the fighting point, when the nerves of everyone in the room were drawn to the raw edge. At such times, Longdon was always very quiet, rolling cigarettes, and tilted back in his chair with perfect self control. When a gap came he would deliver his brief "say" in courteous language, very much to the point—and invariably soothing to the storm. By his death passes a man who has been an honor to the county, and whose memory will be a standard of political clean living and fine thinking and splendid performance.

INTERESTING CAREER.

Mr. Longdon had led an interesting life.

He was born in 1861 in Woodstock, Ct., where his father had a store. It was planned that he should study medicine, but after a few months in Belleview Hospital, N. Y., his health failed. Physicians recommended sea voyages and he spent four or five years up and down the east coast and the west, coming 'round the Horn.

He drifted in here from Arizona, where he was for a time telegraph operator for the Santa Fe. In Los Angeles he married Dolores Coronel, a niece of Don Antonio. She died in 1887, and his own health failed again about a year after.

During his life in East San Gabriel he has been merchant., postmaster, justice of the peace, school trustee and deputy assessor.

In 1892 he was married to Emma King, a daughter of Robert King, a pioneer of San Bernardino.

He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, and had held all the chairs in the Alhambra lodge. He was a Mason and a charter member of the Pasadena lodge of Elks.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

Masons, Knights of Pythias and Elks joined hands over the bier Sunday at San Gabriel afternoon. In addition to members of these orders a host of loyal friends were present to pay their last tribute to an honored citizen and a trusted and capable official. The services were held in the Episcopal Church of Our Savior. Rev. Benjamin Hartley, the rector, read the full burial service of the Episcopal church. The quartet of the Pasadena lodge of Elks rendered a number of beautiful sacred vocal numbers. Mr. Hartley in his sermon dwelt on the many admirable characteristics of the dead supervisior. He spoke of the enviable record he had made in his many years of faithful public service.

Mr. Longdon's four fellow supervisors, George Alexander, C. E. Patterson, Al J. Graham and Peter W. Wilson, with F. Q. Story and M. W. Thompson of Alhambra were honorary pall bearers. The active pall bearers were selected from the friends of the deceased and the [illegible] of which he was a member. They were: W. N. Northup of Alhambra, G. M. Purcell, N. A. Strain, H. D. McDonald, E S. Hereford and J. M. Sanborn of San Gabriel.

Your Health, Dear People.

A very practical "fad" yet not a "fad" seems to be prevailing the atmosphere of the present day, that of physical culture, becoming more and more recognized as an important factor in the upbuilding of the human frame and the re-establishment of one's health.

It may not be generally known that we have a high priestess of that cult in our midst, one who has spent years in the study and practice of the well known Preece system, which she learned at the feet of the author herself. Miss Gilman of Minneapolis, of whom we speak, has been a teacher of this system throughout her own State, a teacher of many teachers, introducing it into many schools, including her own, as well as at institutes and normals.

In recommending Miss Gilman, Mrs. Preece, author of the system, and supervisor of physical training in the Minneapolis public schools, says: "I most heartily recommend Miss Mary Gilman as instructor in the Preece system of physical training. She was very successful in institute work all over our state, and principal of one of our city schools of 500 children. She was master of this line of work."

It has been suggested to her that she allow the public here to avail itself of this opportunity to study under her instruction, and to this end she is now forming classes for the fall and winter term. Her rates are reasonable and we bespeak for her your hearty sympathy and cooperation in a work that will recompense one fully for their time and expense devoted to its pursuit, and help spread the important gospel of good health.

She herself has proved the efficacy of the course and has regained her health mainly through its practice. Miss Gilman is a woman of letters also, has a series of text books, the Hawthorne Readers, introduced into schools all over the land.

Her "Seat Work" and "Industrial Occupation," published by Macmillan & Co., is highly commended by those in authority. I take pleasure in making her known to you as she is known in her native state.

A Friend.

Miss Gilman is a certified teacher in her special line of work in this state, that is, she is open to engagements as supervisor of physical culture in public schools, or as an instructor of teachers. She is also open to engagements with clubs or classes in outlying towns. All communications should be addressed to Mary L. Gilman, Covina, Cal.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASSES IN PHYSICAL CULTURE.

Womans Club House, Covnia, Wednesday, Nov. 22, 3:30 p.m.

At the home of Mrs. Thorpe, Irwindale, Friday, Nov. 24, 2:45 p.m.

At the home of John Gilman, back of Cypress avenue, near A. M. Seeley's, Saturday, Nov. 25, 10 a.m.

Thanksgiving Dinner.

On Thanksgiving Day a turkey dinner will be served at the Covina Dining Parlors from 12 to 1:30 p. m. Plates 50c. Families and parties are asked to notify Mrs. Martha Hibsch two days in advance when tables will be reserved.

Women's Exchange.

The sale by the ladies of the Christian Church of home-made cookery and fancy confections in the vacant store room adjoining the A O.U.W. block on Saturday last was a most pronounced success and the proceeds made a handsome addition to the church fund.

Arrangements are already perfected for another sale on the afternoon of Saturday, Nov. 25. Cakes, pies, bread, salads and confections. Proceeds in aid of Christian Church. Place of sale to be announced next week.

Library Opening.

The handsome Carnegie library building on Second street is nearing completion and the building will be formally opened to the public on Saturday evening, Dec. 2, with a book shower and reception, between the hours of 8 and 10 p.m.

The trustees are arranging appropriate ceremonies and they desire it distinctly understood that it is a public occasion to which all are cordially invited, and they extend to our citizens an opportunity for each to bring a book to swell the rapidly growing library.

Rains Favor Los Angeles County.

Again this week Los Angeles county heads the list of moisture recipients. Warm, gentle showers fell during Wednesday night and Thursday, making a total precipitation for the week of .48 of an inch, and a total for the present season of 1.54 inches, as compared to .93 of an inch for the corresponding date of last year. Never in the history of Southern California has the county looked prettier at this season of the year. Our orchards are loaded with "golden fruit" and in every direction that the eye can reach the green grass is springing up as if by magic. Plowing has already commenced and should the propitious rains continue thousands of acres of grain will be planted within the next few weeks.

A Clever Magician.

The Christopher Company, introducing Christopher, the noted magician, supported by a company of capable artists, will appear at Coolman's Opera House on the evening of Friday, Nov. 24. While Mr. Christopher is still a young man, he has been associated with such master minds of magic as Kellar and the late Herrmann and many critics pronounce his work to be fully equal to that of these great artists. Tippel & Kilment, refined musical artists, and Chas. Leora, late of the Barnum & Bailey circus, will also appear. A high class and wonderful entertainment. It requires fully as much brains and considerably more capital and versatility to give such a performance as the Christopher Co., as to establish a first class dramatic corps. In short, it is flawless beyond improvement. Prices 15 and 25c, reserved seats 35c, now on sale at Baker's drug store.

Jacob Brunjes, road overseer, attended the funeral of the late Supervisor Longdon at San Gabriel Sunday.

Thanksgiving Specials
are still arriving. A barrel of new sorghum molasses is just in. Mince meat, apple butter and sweet cider will arrive in a few days.
In our bakery department we have a big lot of very fine fruit cake ready now. It will be sold cheaper than you can make it.
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But the poor little czar still has the bomb throwers on his hands.

The New York book bunco men worked on the principle that a sucker with money is still a sucker, after all.

President Roosevelt is now perfectly willing for his critics to continue their observations on the unwisdom of men who butt in.

Few persons will have the hardihood to assert that the Bishop Potter saloon failed on account of a lack of advertising.

President Roosevelt's admonition to be kind to the rich has been followed by President Harper, of the Chicago University, and he finds that it pays.

A worried father wants to know what he shall do with his son, who shows all signs of becoming a confirmed liar. Make a politician of him.

Envoy de Witte says there are millions of people in Russia that don't know there is a war. Doubtless many of them are still voting for Andrew Jackson.

An Ohio man fell dead while courting the lady from whom he had been divorced. This should serve as a warning to men who are thinking of going back.

A dispatch from New York says new frauds in life insurance have been discovered. It is not stated whether they are relatives of the Hydes or of the Alexanders.

President Diaz, of Mexico, has been in office for twenty-five years, and is worth only $1,000,000. He apparently never had a whack at the crop statistics department of his government.

The Congress of Industrial Workers has refused to admit lawyers on the ground that they do not work. Evidently the members of this congress have never been worked by a lawyer.

Blushing may be a sign of genius, as one of these "knowledgeous" writers avers, but are you not personally acquainted with many people who can blush, yet exhibit no other sign of genius?

A few days ago a man was sentenced to two months in jail for pounding his horse on the head with a brick. This took place in Baltimore, but there is just as much pleasure in recording the incident as if it had happened nearer home.

"If the sweet girl is thrifty," says a contemporary, "she should be able to use the graduating gown for the wedding dress." There are people, it seems, who are mean enough to deprive some of the girls of one of the chief incentives of having a wedding.

That New York mother who has raised six children, helped her husband in his legal practice and qualified for admission to the bar—all before she felt she could afford a maid—must have a comprehensive grasp of President Roosevelt's ideas on both the strenuous life and race suicide.

Some people will see a sort of prophetic allegory in the story of the horse which stopped and dropped dead at the sight of an automobile. The rapidity with which the motor is supplanting the horse warrants the conjecture that the days of the animal are numbered—at least so far as the cities are concerned. As the locomotive displaced the stage horse so the steam vehicle is sounding the doom of the trotter and the draft animal.

In the broadest sense the fraternal societies of the United States have enjoyed gains far exceeding the rate of increase in the population of the country. This phase of American life means much for the unity and harmony of the nation. The great fraternal societies know neither sectional nor racial lines. They bring together many elements of the population, often widely separated in other interests and associations, in a spirit of co-operation and mutual helpfulness. It is good training for a self governing people of heterogeneous nationalities occupying a country the extent of which is in some measure conducive to sectional differences and local differences.

"What is our greatest help in capturing criminals? Why, their vanity, of course," said the detective. "Men and women who make crime a business are always proud of their work when it is well done, according to criminal standards and sooner or later they brag of it and it gets to our ears. Even men who commit unpremeditated crimes seem unable to keep their doings to themselves, and if they do not openly boast they give out mysterious hints that rouse suspicion and bring about surveillance. Then, again, no matter how well a crime is planned, there is nearly always an unforeseen contingency to be met, and it's the failure to take precautions against the one contingency that gives many a clew."

Four-fifths of the teachers in the United States, according to a recent census bulletin, are women, and there are more teachers in this country than there are clergymen, lawyers and physicians together. In the proportion of women teachers to the whole number of teachers employed the United States leads the world, although in nearly every civilized country the greater part of the teaching is done by women. This is in line with the general tendency toward the advancement of woman to a better place in this country. In 1890 the number of women in paying positions in this country was 3,914,571, and in 1900 this number had increased to 5,319,807. However, as the number of men in paying positions has also increased at the same time it must not be accepted as certain that women are going to crowd men out of positions in intellectual employment altogether.

It is easy to get married in this country. Perhaps there is nothing easier. It was thought for a while that Johann Hoch, Chicago's leading bigamist, did pretty well when he married seventeen women in three years. Chicago doubted if any other city could produce a record that would beat that. It seems, however, that Mr. Hoch's performance was neither unique nor extraordinary. I develops that Dr. George A. Witzhoff, of New York, has a record as a marrying man which makes that of Mr. Hoch look like the traditional "thirty cents." Dr. Witzhoff is believed to have participated as a principal in at least twenty-five marriages, and he has hired gentlemen to get married for him on the 100 or more occasions when it has not been convenient for him to go through the ceremony personally. From the 125 women whom he bigamously married himself and to whom he supplied bigamous husbands, it is thought Dr. Witzhoff got $30,000 in cash and jewelry. Like Mr. Hoch, he found the business of wholesale marrying profitable as well as pleasant. According to Mrs. Charlotte Smith, president of the Woman's International Rescue League, there lately have been numerous industrious workers in the matrimonial vineyard besides Mr. Hoch and Dr. Witzhoff. "There are to-day in the United States," she asserts, "no less than 50,000 women who have been married, robbed and deserted by professional bigamists." It might be inferred from this that women are much easier to entice into matrimony than men. Probably, however, this is an untenable conclusion. When a woman does start on marrying bent, mere men fall before her like grain before a sickle. Miss Marion Rapp, now under arrest at Philadelphia, is known to have got eight husbands in three years, and is suspected of having captured some six or eight more. Miss Rapp is still young, and if her career had not been untimely cut off she might have made a record that would have done credit to her sex. The sad experiences of the numerous people who have been victimized by gay deceivers, male and female, ought to contain a lesson to careless persons contemplating matrimony. When a stranger comes along and proposes marriage at first sight it may possibly be just as well to take a look into his or her antecedents. This is not the most romantic way to proceed, but it is a way that may prove to have great practical advantages. It probably would be indorsed by every one of the 50,000 women in this country who, according to Mrs. Charlotte Smith, are now looking for professional bigamists who married them and run away with their cash.

Hives.—Aromatic syrup of rhubarb is a very efficient remedy for this troublesome outbreak. The dose is one teaspoonful repeated in two or three hours if necessary.

Wood Alcohol.—Among the dangerous adulterations of the time is wood alcohol because it is cheaper than the other in the manufacture of essences and witch hazel. It is said that fully 175 persons have lost their eyesight through the use of witchhazel prepared with wood alcohol.

Stomach Troubles.—The human stomach must be the greatest piece of machinery ever invented. It will stand more abuse than a corn shredder, take care of foods that will rust a tin can, hold drinks that will eat their way through a pine board, handle stuff that a dog would not stop to taste and look out for whatever is poured into it day or night. A cider mill would refuse to grind were it not treated any better than a fellow's stomach and a tombstone would shake off the lettering if it had poured over it the liquids that the average man pours down his throat. People talk about stomach trouble yet there is no such thing. The trouble is with the fellow who owns the stomach, not with the stomach itself. Given half a chance, a two-quart stomach will outlast a ten gallon lard can or a patent leather saddle. That the old thing becomes clogged up occasionally or eventually wears out is no wonder when it is considered how it is abused.

Some people think it a sin to let a piano alone a minute.

RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to Repentance.

It is easier to analyze one another's burdens than to bear them.

Do God's work and He will spread your table.

God's call consecrates us, but our service seals the consecration.

It is worth while going through a lot of dust to get one diamond.

It is easy to preach contentment after your salary has been raised.

There are too many men praying for peace with their fists clenched.

Men who shine for their own glory generally throw many gloomy shadows.

It takes more than information about Christ to secure confirmation to Him.

Sometimes God takes away our message that we may listen to His music.

It takes more than the "Amen" at the end to convert a jingle into an anthem.

The politician may fool the people bit he meets disaster when he defies their God.

God does not ask about man's attitude toward Him; He wants his relationship.

It is a good deal easier to criticise the Bible than it is to crystallize it into conduct.

Many a man would be more prepossessing if he were less anxious to be possessing.

Many a man thinks he is preaching the Gospel when he is only working off his grouch.

The enduement from Heaven may be waiting for our endowment with the things of earth.

The love of God is the only thing that will make you love all kinds of people all the time.

The financial reports never take any sleep from the man whose treasures are in Heaven.

That is but an imperfect science which studies a world of effects and neglects their cause.

Many a man who would make a first-rate candle is making a grand fizzle as an arc-light.

The preacher whose first thought is of drawing his salary is not doing much at drawing souls.

Better be despised like Zaccheus the tax-gatherer than to die like Ananias the tax-dodger.

The time will come when even themselves will be even more eloquent than our excuses for them.

One of the blackest sins is that of praying for the souls of men to save the expense of caring for their bodies.

It is no use praying for the salvation of your grocer when he is sitting up nights thinking about your old bills.

It is folly, though often appropriate, to announce the verse, "Nothing in my hand I bring," just before the offering.

At a Bargain.

That all "reduction sales" do not noticeably affect the stock on hand was made plain to a man who paid a visit to his native town after an interval of eighteen months. On the former visit he had noticed a big canvas sign stretched across the shop front of the local marble works bearing the announcement that a reduction sale of all the monuments on hand was going on.

The stock consisted, so far as he could discover, of four memorial stones, one of granite and three of white marble. When he struck the town again last week he saw that the "sale" was still going on, for the sign, sadly faded, was still in place, and the same four monuments were on view in the yard in front of the shop.

Perfectly Sober, Too.

A short time ago a man went home the worse for drink. On arriving at his house he tried to unlock the door, but could not get the supposed key into the lock. A man who happened to be passing at the time noticed him fumbling at the door, and asked him what he was doing. He replied:

"Why, trying to unlock the door. I want to get in."

"Why, man," said the other, "do you know you are trying to unlock it with a cigarette?"

"Am I?" said the staggery one. "Then, by gosh! I must have smoked the key!"

Congratulations with a Sting.

First Fond Mamma (whose hopes have lately been dashed) Our heartiest congratulations on dear Violet's engagement, Mrs. Hookham.

Second Fond Mamma (whose hopes have been realized) Thank you. We are delighted. Captain Norton is such a charming fellow.

First Fond Mamma. Yes, and so self sacrificing.—Punch.

An Astronomical Mystery.

Mr. Malachi Dogan, of the Third Ward, announces that he can well understand how astronomers can tell the weight of the stars and their distance from the earth, but what puzzles him is how they find out their names.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Nearly every woman labors under the delusion that no man can tell her a lie and look her straight in the eye at the same time.

EDITORIALS

OPINIONS OF GREAT PAPERS ON IMPORTANT SUBJECTS

Laws to Protect the People.

FORMERLY one who found himself unable to continue to pay the premiums on his life insurance policy forfeited all that he had paid in. In those days it was to the interest of the companies that policies should lapse. The unfairness of the system led to a movement for reform, and one after another of the State Legislatures amended the insurance laws so as to require the companies to give a "paid-up" policy of a fair amount whenever the insured chose to stop paying further premiums.

That is now the law in nearly all, perhaps in all, the States, and widows and orphans of the insured get the benefit of the money which the husband and father paid to the companies, whether he continued to pay the premiums till his death or not.

These paternal statutes have been justified, on the ground that they are necessary to protect the individual in his dealings with great corporations. They are something like the laws regulating national banks and banks for savings, as they are intended to prevent the misuse or waste of the money of the people.

Every man who is insured is interested in the insurance laws and in the efforts of the law officers to enforce them when there has been careless if not criminal use of the funds of the companies. In the same way every man with a bank-account is interested in the adoption of such a system of inspection of the national and State banks that the threatened insolvency of an institution may be discovered in time to prevent misuse of the money of the depositors.—Youth's Companion.

Making the Country Alluring.

IF the open country is to be made attractive to the best minds, it must have an attractive literature. There must be a technical literature of the farm, and also a general artistic literature portraying the life and the ideals of the persons in the country. The farm literature of a generation ago was largely wooden and spiritless, or else untrue to actual rural conditions. The new literature is vital and alive. The new, however, is yet mostly special and technical, with the exception of the growing nature literature. Artistic literature of the farm and rural affairs is yet scarcely known. Where is the high-class fiction that portrays the farmer as he is, without caricaturing him? Where is the collection of really good farm poems? Who has developed the story interest in the farm? Who has adequately pictured rural institutions? Who has carefully studied the history of the special farm literature that we already have? Who has written the biological evolution progress that attaches to every domestic animal and every cultivated plant? We need short and sharp pictures of the man at his work and the woman in her home—such quick and vivid pictures in words as an artist would throw on his canvas. There is nobility, genuineness, and majesty in a man at useful work—much more than there is in a prince or a general or a society leader, whose role it is to pose for the multitude. The man holding the plow, digging a ditch, picking fruit, the woman sweeping or making bread—what stronger pictures of human interest can there be than these?—Scientific American.

Be Content With Your Lot.

THOSE disposed to grumble over their condition when they liken themselves to the rich should remember that appearances are deceptive and that the envied mortals do not get that happiness out of life with which they are credited by those lean of purse. Generally the rich man has troubles of his own. It is a constant battle to keep his riches after he has won them. Frequently his health breaks down in amassing the dollars; and quite often the luxuries which wealth commands and which he readily partakes of deprive him of his very best possession—a sound body and a contented mind.

The suicide of Winthrop Turney, in Colebrook, Conn., the other day, furnishes a signal illustration of the miseries sometimes attendant upon great riches. He had amassed a respectable fortune, $12,000,000, in Mexican gold and copper mines. A college-bred man, he turned to study as the best means of enjoying his leisure. He did not drink, he did not smoke, he did not consort with undesirable characters. His habits were of the best. Finally his health gave way. In the effort to regain it he tried quacks as well as the most celebrated physicians. Christian Science failed when appealed to. Tired of the successive failures, he repaired to a meadow and sent a bullet into his brain, dying instantly.

With his millions Turney found life insupportable at 41. Rather young for such a dreadful act. With all his money he could not command what the poor man generally has—a sound body. This goes to show that the gifts lavished upon some do not bring the pleasure supposed to go with their bestowal. John D. Rockefeller, a few years ago, when he had a rebellious stomach to bring under submission, said his pain was so acute at times that he would have been willing to give every dollar of his colossal fortune to have a sound stomach, certain that if this boon was granted him he could make another fortune in short order.

Don't be envious of the rich man, ye of modest means, for he is frequently the most discontented of men. The man who has health and wealth is thrice blessed. The man who has abundance of this world's goods and who is racked with pain would gladly exchange his riches for poverty if it carried with it bodily vigor.—Utica Globe.

The World's History in the Next Ten Years.

YOU and I who may live through the next ten years will witness a remarkable transition in the affairs of the world. The map of Asia is going to be changed and maybe the may of Europe. Germany is reaching for world power. The Kaiser wants to close the Baltic Sea as Russia and Turkey have closed the Black. Russia, Sweden, Germany and Denmark are on the Baltic. The foot of Norway also touches that sea. England does not look on this scheme with favor. England's navy is powerful, Russia's navy is as nothing. Germany's navy is growing. England may seize on this scheme of the Kaiser's to sink his ships and put the naval development of Germany back twenty-five years.

At the beginning of this century England won a great sea fight off Copenhagen. With this sea closed and Russia driven back from the Asiatic Sea coast the naval power of England would avail nothing if Russia suddenly concluded to come over the mountains and invade British India.

The Kaiser is eager for a fight. He has a big army and he wants to utilize it either in killing Frenchmen or annexing Austria when the Emperor of Austria dies. The Frenchman himself is in for trouble. He has large possessions in South China. Japan may conclude that France has no business there. The French navy is large—second to that of England—but a naval campaign in the China Sea will give Japan all the advantage. Germany also has possessions in China which she secured by robbery and Japan will urge China to get brave and order Germany out. And Germany will get out if England gets out of Wei-Hai-Wei. England being Japan's ally will not object.

And Russia will be reborn in the next ten years. Either the Empire will sink into a wild and impotent nation or the present form of government will be overthrown and the interior development of the country will begin. And Austria and Hungary will divide. Austria will probably enter the German confederacy and Hungary will take her place as an independent nation.

England since the Napoleonic wars has held her sway by pitting one nation against the other, but the time is here for England to do some real fighting with her own ships and men. If Belgium, Holland and Denmark maintain their integrity it will be a remarkable thing.

In the United States the great industrial questions will be settled. The people will in the coming ten years either control the trusts and the so-called privileged rich or these forces will control the government.—Chicago Examiner.

Railroad Sunday Observance.

THE entire St. Paul Railroad system has made a new regulation that Sunday shall be a day of rest as far as possible without interfering with the absolute necessities of the traffic. Sunday excursions will be discontinued as well as all extra trains on that day, and freight crews will be instructed to make headquarters by Saturday night. General Passenger Agent Miller says the road is doing this because he thinks its men are entitled to rest, and because the Sunday traffic is a risk for which the returns are not adequate. This sort of thing seems to us to be a great sign of the times. The sign is that we are coming to the age of wisdom, the time when we learn that there are limits to human nature, so that the "level best," the greatest average, is to be had by reversion to moderation.—Indianapolis News.

"HOODOOED" FISH.

Fishers Said that Jules Verne's Presence Frightened Away Their Luck.

The late Jules Verne, whose scientific wonder-stories endeared him to the heart of boyhood, had all his life an ardent passion for the sea, and passed much of his time and did much of his literary work while upon it.

In his later life, until the infirmities of age forbade, he sailed a fine steam yacht; but for many years he voyaged only in a little sailing yacht, the Saint Michel, so called after the namesaint of his young son.

Its crew consisted of two Breton fishermen, Alfred and Alexander, Sandre for short, who had also seen service in the navy. They adored their literary captain; nevertheless, they bore him one grudge. They considered, with the superstition of sailors, that his presence cast a "hoodoo" over their favorite recreation. It was impossible to catch fish if Monsieur Verne was aboard. In waters swarming with delicious fish, fish was never on the bill of fare of the Saint Michel; it could not be procured.

"It was the captain's one fault," said Sandre, regretfully. "He understood nothing of fishing and scarcely believed in a fish until he had it at the end of his fork—and that was not on the Saint Michel. No, they might stuff you with pates and truffles there, but you would not get fish.

"It was not that the captain forbade us to try; but there was a spell cast by his presence, a fatality! And the more we fished and failed, the more he made fun of us.

"Once, off Cape Antifer, as we held the lines, after long waiting there came a jerk. Good! A bite! And we haul in the line, and at the end is a fine mackerel! You understand we are delighted. Alfred and I; and we look sideways at the captain, as if to say 'There! Now we'll see!' But he, always teasing, will not reply.

"Presently our mackerel is landed on the deck. Alfred takes it by the gills to unhook it. Piff! Paf! Presto! The rascally imp gives a flop of his tail, unhooks himself, bounces against the bulwarks, and so to the water. Wasn't that mean trick, hey? And Monsieur Verne holding his sides with laughter! Ah, it was a fine chance lost to prove to him that there really are fish outside of a soup kettle!

"That spell—that influence! It was a strange infirmity for a person so superior, so illustrious as Monsieur Verne. But what would you have, after all? No man is perfect!"—Youth's Companion.

JUDGING TIME AT THE FAIR.

—Detroit Free Press.

Finding Out His Mistake.

Mother—You've been fighting again. Haven't I told you that good little boys never fight?

Johnnie—Yes, and I thought he was a good little boy, but as soon as I hit him I found he wasn't.

There are all sorts of disagreeable people; but we believe the fool who insists on being a fool, in spite of all the information going around, is the most disagreeable of all.

HOPE TO SAVE NIAGARA FALLS

COMMITTEE URGES PRESIDENT TO TAKE ACTION

Chief Executive Promises to Aid in Keeping Nature's Wonder for the People.

Washington.—President Roosevelt placed himself on record strongly in favor of the preservation intact of the wonders of Niagara Falls.

To visitors who called to urge the President to use his influence through the combined action of the American and Canadian governments for the preservation of the Niagara Falls, and to prevent the diversion of their waters to commercial and industrial uses, he said he believed Niagara Falls, the great Canyon of Colorado, the big trees of California and the buffalo should be preserved for posterity.

California, he added, had presented to the nation a grove of the big trees, and if the State of New York could not preserve the Niagara Falls inviolate, the National Government should step in and keep them as they are now for the American people as one of the great natural wonders of the world.

Revolt Breaks at Vladivostok.

London, Nov. 14.—The Shanghai report of the Morning Post says that an insurrection has broken out at Vladivostok. There has been street fighting and much bloodshed. Foreigners have, it is said, appealed to their respective governments to send war ships.

Pardee's Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Sacramento.—Governor Pardee issued his Thanksgiving proclamation designating Thursday, November 30, as a day of general thanksgiving and prayer, for bountiful harvests and various other blessings enjoyed by the people of California.

Know Nothing of New Canal.

Washington.—There is a complete absence of knowlegde at the state department, the British embassy and the Japanee legations of the existence of the agreement reported from Mexico between Great Britain and Japan to build a ship canal by the Nicaragua route in opposition to the projected Panama canal.

ELECTIONS IN SPAIN

Government is Victor, but the Republicans Show a Great Increase.

Madrid.—The municipal elections throughout the country resulted favorably to the government, but the Republicans show increased majorities at many points. The result in Madrid was twenty-one Governmentals, five Republicans and two Socialists. The police arrested sixty repeaters.

Election affrays occurred at various places.

The university here was reopened owing to the subsidence of the student disturbances.

SHORT ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The United States Land Commissioner Daugherty, for Monterey County, announced Thursday that 340,000 acres had been withdrawn from public entry, pending the declaration of a forest reserve.

It has been estimated that it would require 60,000 boxes of oranges per day, or 2,219,000,000 boxes per year to supply the demand of the 90,000,000 people of the United States and the several millions in Canada.

Robert W. Ayers of the forestry service has arrived from Washington for the purpose of testing eucalypts for fence posts. They will be dipped in boiling creosote which is expected to give them a period of use certainly more than thirty years and perhaps twice as long.

Over $150,000 was received this year for cantaloupes grown within a radius of eight miles of Thermal. The yield was from 100 to 250 crates per acre, price per crate ran from 70 cents to $1.60. The crates are about one foot square and two feet long, and contain 45 cantaloupes each. In all, over 300 carloads were shipped.

In the Beaumont and Banning districts 665,000 sacks of grain were harvested. There were also threshed 25,000 sacks, mostly barley but some wheat, in the Moreno valley. The total amount of grain threshed in the Moreno, Alessandro, Perris and San Jacinto communities was about 150,000 sacks.

The chile pepper crop about Anaheim is now being marketed. There is an active demand in Los Angeles for the Anaheim and Yorba crops, buyers offering 14 to 15 cents per pound net for it. The first carload has been moved out over the Santa Fe at 14 cents, which gives the growers a good profit. One grower who only moved out three large sacks as a starter received $130 net.

Ten acres of alfalfa, near Calexico, that was cut for seed and threshed last week, produced 600 pounds of seed per acre. With alfalfa seed going at 16 cents per pound this makes $96 per acre for one crop of seed. In addition to growing a crop of seed any well cared for alfalfa field will produce seven or eight tons of hay per acre besides furnishing splendid pasturage for three or four months during the year.

The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce has compiled a statement of the products returned from the soil in Los Angeles county. Naturally the Dairy belongs to that class and the products are thus summarized in this branch of the report: "There are 600 dairies that produce 730,000 pounds of milk valued at $1,000,000. Of creameries there are 12, producing 2,000,000 pounds of butter, valued at $575,000; 1,000,000 pounds of cheese, valued at $160,000 and 800,000 gallons of cream valued at $581,000.—California Cultivator.

DUNNE OFFERS PLAN FOR CITY OWNERSHIP

Message Sent to City Council Submitting Three Methods by Which Control of Street Railways May Be Secured by the Municipality.

Chicago.—Another ordinance providing for steps to secure municipal ownership of the street railways in Chicago was submitted to the city council by Mayor Dunne.

The ordinance was accompanied by a message to the aldermen which gave three ways in which Mayor Dunne asserts he will be able to bring about municipal ownership. The first plan by reaching an agreement with the traction companies by which their property would be transferred to the city at a price decided upon by arbitrators. The second is by condemnation of the property of the street railway companies under the provisions of the Mueller act. The third is the one which the mayor has already presented as an alternative to his contract plan. It is for the construction of municipal street railway lines which will parallel the lines of the existing companies.

The order which accompanied the message from the mayor asked that authority be given to place on the ballots at the spring election the question whether the city shall issue Mueller bill certificates to the amount of $75,000,000. This sum it is declared by the mayor, is needed for the reconstruction of the lines and for the purchase of the unexpired franchise rights of the existing companies.

The message and the ordinance were referred to the committee on local transportation, the same fate as that which met the other propositions submitted to the council by the mayor in regard to the municipalization of the Chicago street railways.

Another ordinance submitted by Mayor Dunne was one of regulation of gas and electric light rates. This ordinance, which provides for 75 cent gas, was referred to the committee on gas, oil and electric lights.

Injunction Stops Work Upon Dam Near Yuma.

Tucson, Ariz.—All work on the great Colorado river dam being constructed by the government near Yuma, Ariz., was stopped Monday, when United States Commissioner Thomas D. Molloy granted a sweeping temporary injunction on application of the Irrigation Land and Improvement Company restraining the government engineers from making use of the lands under the control of this company.

If the project is to be carried through the government will have to make use of these lands. Heretofore there had been no objection on the part of the company, but suit was instituted and the work of the reclamation service came to a standstill.

J. C. Clausen, one of the government engineers, reached Tucson Tuesday when the United States Attorney made application to United States Judge John H. Campbell for an order dissolving the temporary injunction granted by the commissioner.

New Tonopah Over in Arizona.

This statement appears in a recent issue of the Phoenix, Ariz., Enterprise: "It is the opinion of Redmond Toohey, well known contractor, that in the Carrigan strike on Big Williams Fork, another Tonopah has been found, and that within the next few months that famous district in Nevada will have to take second place to the new El Dorado.

Toohey says that he has talked with a number of miners and prospectors who have been at both Tonopah and the new strike, and they all inform him that the indications for a rich district are even greater than those around Tonopah.

"Toohey believes that within the next week there will be dozens and dozens of parties rushing into the new find to get in on the ground floor and take advantage of any mining boom that may follow.

"A sample of the ore from the new strike, which Toohey brought to the city with him shows a large amount of free gold in a small piece of rock. He says that the Calara company owns twenty-four claims, and on eight of them has found the same character of ore."

Solid Iron Mountain Sold.

El Paso, Tex.—News has come from Mexico that the United States Steel company has purchased the famous Solid Iron mountain, the richest of its kind in the world, at Durango.

PLAN EXODUS FROM CHICAGO

Harassed by a Succession of Strikes and Labor Troubles Big Industries May Quit City.

Chicago.—The Chicago Commercial Association, formed to promote the growth of Chicago and prevent the removal of factories, after being informed that 100 institutions, employing 25,000 men, had left the city in the last few years, is again alarmed at the exodus of industries of various kinds. Now comes the information that the large printing firms that compose the Chicago Typothetae, harassed beyond endurance by a succession of strikes, are considering a general exodus to the small towns, or where immunity from labor is guaranteed.

The inauguration of the exodus came to light through the removal of the establishment of Stromberg, Allen & Co., which employs 150 men and women. It now develops that other firms employing in the neighborhood of 1,500 are preparing for similar action.

Secretary E. F. Hamm of the Chicago Typothetae, which is at present fighting the strike of the printers, admits that at least four big firms are planning to locate elsewhere.

Fuel Oil for Railroad.

Mexico City, November 12.—The Mexican Central Railroad has entered into a contract with the Mexican Petroleum Company whereby the latter is to furnish fuel oil for the entire system during a period of fifteen years.

VOTE IN FAVOR OF MONARCHY

PLEBISCITE SUPPORTS PRINCE CHARLES OF DENMARK

Premier Michelsen and President Berner of the Storthing Are Cheered by Great Crowds in Christiania—People Congratulated on Election.

Christiania, Nov. 14.—At 2 o'clock this morning the returns of the plebiscite were still incomplete, but no change in its main features is now possible. The results in 418 constituencies show 233,935 votes in favor of Prince Charles of Denmark as king of Norway and 62,739 against him. The Republicans expected to poll 33 per cent. of the vote, but obtained only 21 per cent.

An interesting peculiarity of the plebiscite is the strong monarchial majorities obtained in the Republican leaders' constituencies. It is also probable that the monarchists seem to control the districts surrounding Christiania and all the coast districts, while Republican votes predominate in the interior and in the north districts.

After midnight a great crowd cheered Premier Michelsen and President Berner of the storthing. The premier addressed the people from a window of the palace and congratulated them on the results of the plebiscite.

King Oscar's New Title.

Washington, Nov. 13.—Mr. Grip, the minister from Sweden, called at the state department today and gave official notice in behalf of his government that King Oscar, in view of the separation of Sweden and Norway, had renounced his former title of king of Sweden and Norway and desires to be hereafter known officially as king of Sweden and of the Goths and Vandals, thus reviving the ancient and peculiar title of the ruler of Sweden.

Mr. Hauge, the Norwegian charge, called upon Secretary Root today at the state department and presented his credentials as charge d'affaires of the new state of Norway. He has not yet been advised officially of his selection by his government to be minister for Norway.

Chinese Villagers Arm to Slay Missionaries.

Hong Kong.—The trouble at Lien Chow and in its vicinity is spreading. The villagers are reported to be arming. Missions are in danger.

PRIVATE CARS TO COST $180,000

Steel Magnate Gives Orders for Magnificent Coaches.

Chicago.—Not content with one private car, which at the time it was turned out was said to be the finest ever constructed, C. M. Schwab of the steel trust has contracted with the Pullman company for three private cars to cost $60,000 each.

Two of the cars will be for sleeping purposes and each will contain eight bedrooms, with open brass beds, bathtubs and washstands. The third car will contain the dining room, with a capacity for thirty people, a library, buffet and observation compartment. One end of the cars will be set apart for baggage.

These cars will be used in addition to Mr. Schwab's present car, making four rolling palaces for his special train. It is estimated that each trip of this special train between New York and Pittsburg will cost Mr. Schwab $500, and between New York and Chicago $1,000.

Mine Shaft Their Tomb.

Johannesburg.—One white overseer and sixty-seven miners were entombed and killed by the collapse of a vertical shaft at the Drie Fontein mine Monday.

Thousands of tons of earth and gravel will have to be dug out before the name even of the white overseer can be learned.

Most of the men entombed are Kaffirs, and work has practically ceased on the Drie Fontein.

Storm in New England.

Boston.—A break in the unusually mild conditions which have prevailed in many sections of New England for the past six weeks, occurred when a storm which passed to the north, dragged in behind it a stiff north breeze, cold weather and some snow. The drop in the temperature averaged 20 degrees. Snow fell to the depth of several inches in Vermont and there were snow flurries as far south as this city.

French Cabinet Changes.

Paris.—The council of ministers reassembled Sunday and made the following alteration in the new cabinet, which was rearranged.

M. Thompson, upon his personal request, so that he can continue his work in the execution of the new naval program, keeps the marine portofolio.

M. Dubief, minister of commerce, becomes a minister of the interior. Otherwise the new cabinet remains unchanged.

The Journal unofficially will publish this ultimate ministerial combination over the signatures of President Loubet and Premier Rouvier.

Electrical Exposition to Surpass Former Shows.

Chicago.—From the present outlook, the Electrical Exposition to be held here in January promises to surpass anything of the kind ever attempted in this country. The exposition will be held in the Coliseum, where 36,000 square feet are available for the display of the various exhibits. Application has already been received for more room than the building affords. Many of the leading schools and colleges throughout the country will make educational exhibits along technical lines.

PAY OFFICERS FOR THE NAVY

Merit System to be Employed in Selecting Young Men to Fill Twelve Vacancies.

Washington.—A competitive examination will be held at the navy yard in this city during January next, to fill twelve vacancies in the grade of assistant paymaster in the Navy. Applications for permission to take this examination will be received by the Assistant Secretary of the Navy up to and including December 15th.

The merit system recently inaugurated has been found so successful that the Navy Department announces, "In securing the best material for Navy pay officers that Secretary Bonaparte has determined to continue the plan and hereafter will fill all vacancies in the pay corps with sole regard to the personal merit and apparent aptitude of the candidate without reference to any consideration whatever. Applications are being received in considerable number from young men all over the United States, who realize that if they are within the legal age—more than 21 and less than 26—of fair education, good intelligence, perfect physique and unimpeachable character and antecedents, their own merits will determine whether they pass and also the rank they shall secure."

An assistant paymaster is a commissioned officer in the Navy and has the rank of ensign, which corresponds in grade and pay to a second lieutenant in the Army, the pay of an assistant paymaster being $1,540 per annum at sea, or $1,309 per annum and quarters or commutation thereof at $24 per month while on shore duty.

Russian Prisoners Released in Japan.

Yokohama.—Thirteen hundred and seventy-four Russian prisoners, including 1,352 blue-jackets from Port Arthur and one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel and eleven soldiers, captured at Kiulenchenk and Telissu, have been released and turned over to the Russian representatives. The Japanese government has provided accommodation for them pending their transportation home.

UNITED STATES WARNS CHINESE

Rear Admiral Train, Commanding Asiatic Fleet, Is Collecting Force of Warships in Vicinity of Canton.

Chicago.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says: More concern is felt by the administration regarding the general situation of affairs in China than is understood by the American people. In spite of the assurance which Sir Chen Tung Liang Cheng, the Chinese minister, gave in his speech at Chicago that his government and its subjects were "naturally most friendly inclined toward Americans and their interests, Secretary Root has deemed it advisable to warn the authorities of Peking against propaganda, such as that which was observed during the boycot agitation.

To impress the natives of the Southern provinces, in one of which, Kwantung, five American missioners were murdered some days ago, Rear Admiral Train, commander-in-chief of the Asiatic fleet, is collecting a strong force in the vicinity of Canton. He cabled the state department early Sunday that he had left Shanghai with the battleship Ohio and the transport Gheneral Alava, which has arms aboard.

A general uprising against foreigners, such as occurred during the Boxer outbreak, is not apprehended. But the boycott movement, initiated last summer, has gained such headway that it has been found almost impossible to check it.

Queen Alexandra Aids England's Unemployed.

London.—Queen Alexandra has contributed $10,000 and has initiated a movement for the relief of the unemployed in England by issuing an appeal through Earl de Grey, treasurer of the Queen's household. Her majesty says:

"I appeal to the people of the empire, men and women, to assist me in alleviating the suffering of the poor, starving and unemployed during the winter. For this purpose I head the list with £2,000. All contributions should be sent to Earl de Grey."

"ALEXANDRA."

EXCURSION TO MEXICO

Personally Conducted Outing by Southern Pacific Officials.

A select party is being organized by the Southern Pacific to leave San Francisco for Mexico, December 16th, Los Angeles the 17th. The season in Mexico begins with November, and this, with the arrangements provided, will insure an enjoyable vacation.

The train will contain fine Pullman vestibuled sleepers and dining car all the way on going trip. The time limit will be 60 days, enabling excursionists to make side trips from City of Mexico to points of interest. On return trip, stopovers will be allowed at points on main lines of Mexican Central, Santa Fe or Southern Pacific.

Christmas in Mexico is a season of gay fiestas, brilliant pageants and many other modes of celebration, all novel and unusually interesting to the tourist.

The wealth of flowers and the delightful weather is a constant surprise, even to Californians.

Tickets from Los Angeles and return including Pullman, $114.00, being the lowest rates ever offered to tourists.

Side trips will involve extra charges, and meals in dining car will be served a la carte. Only a limited number of passengers can go, therefore reservations must be made early to insure accommodations.

On the return those who desire to do so can have their tickets read via the Santa Fe and enjoy a side trip to the Grand Canyon for an additional charge of $6.50.

IN FIELD OF HUSBANDRY

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS AND ORCHARDISTS

Chance For Californians—Olives to Boom—Does Pure-Bred Poultry Pay—Rest For the Breeders—Heavy Increase In Fruit Shipments.

Chance for Californians.

A vigorous protest is being made in New York among the fruit buyers, aided by the Fruitman's Guide, against the practice of deceiving lemon buyers of the Sicily goods by manipulating the samples set out for inspection upon the docks.

It says the importers of Sicily lemons would seem to be digging their own graves and "giving themselves over like willing victims to their shrewd and merciless competitors in California."

"To display goods to their best advantage is common sense and good business combined; but fixing samples up so as to represent fruit as being that which it is not is indefensible both from a moral and business standpoint."

"Promise after promise has been made by the importers, and promise after promise has for a time been kept, and then after a sufficient period has elapsed to lull suspicion, has inconveniently and flagrantly been broken. This seems to have happened again this week for the seventy-seventh time, and today the principle fruit buyers on the Sicily docks are unanimous in saying that conditions were never worse. Samples are faced it is alleged, in the most barefaced manner; wrappers showing decay and stain are replaced by dry wrappers; good lemons are stolen to replace bad lemons to such an extent that an examination of the dock will show half a dozen empty boxes looted of their contents to make up bad holes or close unsightly gaps in the samples."

Anent this statement of things comes a letter from J. Leverone & Co., of Cincinnati, who says, "we are prompted to write you that a car of California lemons sold at our auction sale for $2,203. Kindly inform the New York importers to cease fixing their samples on the docks to deceive buyers, for we have no doubt many of them have already become disgusted, like ourselves, and look to California for their supplies.

"We are informed that California growers have discovered a process to cure their lemons and improve their keeping quality, and, judging from the receipts for the past sixty days, this must be true, for car after car has arrived, with not to exceed 3 per cent. waste, and some cars in perfect condition."

Here, then, is the chance for the California growers and shippers. Keep up the quality of the goods and pack them right, and the foreign lemons will soon give place in all Eastern markets to the California article.—Cal. Products.

Olives to Boom.

The executive committee of the Sacramento Valley Development Association has decided that if it is desired by a considerable number of the representative olive growers and olive product manufacturers of the Sacramento Valley a meeting of those interested in the olive industry will be called at some time in the near future to discuss the needs of the olive men of this part of the State.

The Sacramento Valley is the great olive producing region of California, and it is believed that this fruit properly handled will have a great future particularly the olive pickling industry. At present the crop is principally handled in small establishments and some growers have expressed a desire to see the olive men of the whole valley get together and consider the situation with a possible view to creating an organization to handle the crop in a large way.

Does Pure-Bred Poultry Pay?

There is but one answer. It does. It pays in the same proportion as pure bred stock pays.

No live progressive farmer or stock-raiser is content to raise scrub stock of either horses, cattle or hogs; he argues that thoroughbreds fatten better, grow quicker and make better returns for the money invested than scrub stock. The same argument is equally applicable to poultry. Pure bred poultry develops quicker, fattens faster and weighs heavier, and presents a heavier appearance on the market, whether sold as live or dressed poultry, hence will command a better price. Another point of profit to the owner of pure bred poultry is that he can usually sell his roosters at a price far above the market price to those of his neighbors who wish to improve their flocks and eggs in hatching season may be sold at an advance on the market price. While the cost of keeping and raising pure-breds is no more than the mongrels, the profits are all in favor of the pure-breds. If there were no profits, the pleasure one derives from seeing a flock of pure bred birds, so near alike that one cannot tell "which from t'other," is so great that once owning the pure bred, one would with great reluctance go back to the flock of mongrels headed by a common dunghill rooster. I would urge every farmer's wife, for she is generally the poultry raiser on the farm, to resolve that she will raise none but pure bred poultry; and having so decided select the breed she thinks best suited to her needs, and by purchasing a few birds, or a few settings of eggs, procure a start, then stick to it in spite of what the neighbors will say, for there is always someone to decry a new venture any way. Having once started I am sure she will say, as I do, it pays to keep pure bred poultry on the farm. California Cultivator.

Good health and [illegible] are two of life's greatest blessings.—Syms.

Rest for the Breeders.

With the breeding season over, give the old fowls intended for future use a summer's outing—turning them out to pasture in a shady grove or among the berry bushes.

Heavy Increase In Fruit Shipments.

In the beginning of the fresh fruit shipping season, there was great complaint as to the smallness of the crop and predictions were made that shipments this season would be very light. California is a very large State, and each year in some parts of it crops will be light and those who are suffering will be heard from, but when we come to figure up results for the whole State they always reach good average. It has been so the present season. In the principal peach sections the crop was poor, in the pear districts great damage has been done by the pear blight, yet in spite of these drawbacks there have been nearly 2,000 more cars of fresh fruit shipped out of Northern California this season than last, the figures up to the first of November being 7,457 cars for the present season against 5,626 of last.

This heavy increase in shipments is due to the greater demand in the Eastern market, very much better prices paid to the grower and the somewhat lessened pack of dried and canned fruits. Grape shipments are still going forward and it is likely that the full 2,000 cars increase will yet be made before the season is ended. Prices, too have been so much better than in previous seasons that the fresh fruit growers are prosperous in spite of the gloomy outlook at the beginning of the season.—California Cultivator.

Pure-Bred Cattle.

The use of purebred cattle has greatly increased the interest in farming. Farmers who care but little for their scrub cattle find more pleasure in raising pure breeds. With the advent of good stock on the farm comes greater interest in farming, a greater diversity in crops and better cultivation of the soil.

To Distribute Government Seeds.

Washington.—The annual distribution of vegetable and flower seeds by the department of agriculture will begin December 1 and before planting time it is expected the entire amount, aggregating 38,000,000 packages, will be in the hands of the people in all sections of the country.

Walnuts in Foreign Countries.

F. Dyerchester, United States Consul at Budapest, Hungary, reports as follows concerning walnuts in Hungary:

According to report, the walnut crop of Southeast Europe this year will be very weak, as spring frosts caused great damage in the chief places of production. Hungary will have to import and the prices "at station" will be even higher than forty crowns ($8.13) per 100 kilos (220.46 pounds).

High Price for Tomatoes.

The California Vegetable Union, which has been buying the La Habra and East Whittier output of tomatoes, has raised its purchasing price from $30 to $40 a ton. The crop still holds out well and the increase will mean thousands of dollars to the growers. It is estimated that there will be a total crop of 1,500 tons this year.

Hybrid Melon Is Grown By Nevada Rancher.

Reno.—O. A. Harwood, a prominent rancher of Long Valley, Nev., has perfected a hybrid melon which is pronounced by the agricultural department of the university to be a cross between a watermelon and a muskmelon, having the rind of the former and seeds of the latter.

The peculiar property of the fruit is that it will keep from one season to another remaining perfectly sound and maintaining its flavor as well as apples. The fruit grows to an immense size, some of the specimens weighing as much as thirty pounds. The fruit was produced by a form of grafting which is known only to Mr. Harwood. The fruit is in great demand in this section of the state.

Water for Irrigation.

Washington.—The annual report for 1904 of the irrigation and drainage investigations of the United States Department of Agriculture says a leading line of work during the year was a study of the possibilities of pumping water for irrigation where a supply from streams is not available or is hard to get.

The report covers the Santa Clara Valley in California, the New Mexican experimental station, the State of Texas, the rice district of Louisiana and the States of Colorado, Nebraska and Kansas.

The drainage investigations include experiments in draining seeped and alkali lands in the arid regions and the drainage of farm lands.

Potatoes Sent East.

Stockton.—The biggest shipment of potatoes that ever went east from California left over the Santa Fe route. It consisted of a solid train of thirty five cars, containing 9,150 sacks of potatoes, the aggregate weight being 1,131,000 pounds. Their destination is Texas, Arkansas and other Missouri river points. The shipment is valued at over $7,000 and breaks all previous records.

Turkeys Are Shipped to California.

Waco, Tex.—Dressed turkeys are being shipped by carloads from this section to California and to points north and east. Prices have advanced to 11 and 12 cents per pound.

No Wheat for Mexico.

El Paso, Tex.—Notwithstanding the reduction of the duty on wheat from the United States, none is going into Mexico and complaints are frequently heard that a trust operating in both countries is holding back the supply in the United States.

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COVINA, NOV. 18, 1905.

Who Will be Longdon's Successor?

Who will succeed the late Supervisor Longdon, is the question uppermost in the minds of the politicians of this county. The selection rests with Gov. Pardee, who recognizing the importance of the appointment to the tax payers of the county, will thoroughly investigate the claims of all aspirants before he fills the vacancy.

Among the prominent candidates early in the week were Capt. J. T. Brady of Pomona, Geo. W. Griffiths, Jr., presidents of the Griffiths Bros. Milling Company of Covina, E. H. Lahee, also of our city, Capt. C. D. Manning of Pasadena, Chester Barton of El Monte, and David Teague of San Dimas.

At the present writing, Capt. Brady of Pomona and Geo. W. Griffiths of this city are the leading candidates. The former gentleman has been slated by the county Republican organization as a possible successor to Mr. Longdon for some time, and in this lies his strength, but the sudden death of Mr. Longdon, followed by the whirlwind campaign of Mr. Griffiths, has upset prearranged plans and no one can foretell the outcome. The support and strength which Mr. Griffiths has gathered around him since Monday is remarkable, his candidacy being endorsed by representatives of some of the largest commercial interests in the county.

E. H. Lahee, however, is a force to be reckoned with. A man of prominent executive ability, acquired by thirty years of active life in the banking business and financial world of Chicago, he is eminently fitted for the office. He is president of the Board of Covina City Trustees and is an active and enthusiastic advocate of good roads. He is an orange grower and is closely identified with their interests.

A peculiar feature of the campaign is the activity shown by the road-overseers in the district, almost without exception, in furthering the candidacy of Capt. C. D. Manning of Pasadena, by the circulation of petitions and the soliciting of personal letters favoring his appointment.

David Teague and Chester Barton have practically retired from the contest, but the latter especially promises to be a candidate of considerable weight for the office at the forthcoming Republican convention, as the appointment will only hold over until the next election.

Newly Elected Officers.

There was a large attendance of members at the regular monthly meeting of La Paloma Chapter, O.E.S., on Tuesday evening, the occasion being the annual election of officers, the honors falling to Mrs. Belle Harris, Worthy Matron; W. M. Griswold, Worthy Patron; Mrs. J. D. Reed, Associate Patron; Mrs. Clarence Menefee, conductress; Mrs. W. W. Chase, secretary; Mrs. C. L. Hulce, treasurer. Miss Emily Stetson on behalf of the members, presented the retiring secretary, Mrs. F. E. Dudderar, with a beautiful chafing dish as a mark of appreciation for her unselfish work for the growth and prosperity of the lodge. Mrs. Dudderar was one of the charter members of La Paloma Chapter, being its first Worthy Matron. At the last session of the Grand Lodge she was elected Grand associate conductress.

Another charming feature of the evening was a musical and literary program rendered by Mrs. J. H. Coolman, piano solo; Miss Gertie Hulce, vocal solo; Mrs. Belle Harris, vocal solo; Mrs. J. D. Reed, recitation; Miss Emily Stetson, recitation. Enthusiastic encores were accorded each number.

Refreshments served in the banquet room ended the very pleasant evening.

A Mason & Hamlin organ for sale. Call at Argus office for particulars.

"Ben Hur" at the Mason Theatre, Los Angeles.

The advance sale for Klaw & Erlanger's stupendous production of General Lew Wallace's "Ben Hur" opened Thursday morning at the ticket office at the Mason Theater, Los Angeles. Judging from the advance demand the sale will prove a record breaker for Los Angeles. Orders for seats have been received from cities and towns throughout Southern California, while the local demand as evidenced by the unusual number of inquiries received at the ticket office is greater than ever before known in Los Angeles.

The spectacle comes to Los Angeles direct from San Francisco where it has been playing for the past two weeks to the absolute capacity of the Grand opera house of that city. The performances given here will be exact in every detail as it was seen in San Francisco. "Ben Hur" is probably the one play before the public that has been kept up to its original standard. Klaw & Erlanger during the past summer have expended over $40,00 on the production. The company interpreting the play this season is said to be one of the best that has ever been seen in the spectacle.

The engagement at the Mason opera house is limited to two weeks, with matinees Wednesday and Saturday of each week, and a special matinee Thanksgiving day. The prices for the engagement are as follows: Entire lower floor $2.00; First two rows in the balcony $2.00; next three rows $1.50; remainder of the balcony $1.00: first five rows in gallery 75c.

For the benefit of those living outside the city a special mail order system has been inaugurated. Orders for seats accompanied by a remittance will be promptly attended to. All communications should be addressed to Mr. Behymer, care of Mason Opera House.

Fire Alarm in the Schools.

Through the courtesy of Prof. A. L. Hamilton, supervising principal of the Covina schools, the writer was permitted on Wednesday morning to witness a fire drill at the Grammar school.

A regular alarm was turned in without warning to either teachers or pupils and the sight of these two hundred children, ranging from the age of six to fifteen years, pouring from the various rooms and down the stairs in perfect order will long be remembered by the writer.

Within five seconds of the first stroke of the alarm a lad of probably eleven years burst through the door to our left, it was the little drummer, Charlie Carter, and the fire in his eyes as he grasped his drum, which was hanging at the foot of the stairs, showed that he was made of the right stuff to stand by his post in the hour of danger. At the first stroke of the drum the doors of the primary room were thrown open and the little tots, the girls through one doorway, the boys through another emerged and passed through the building to the main entrance, followed in quick succession by the pupils of each room according to grade, the teacher in every instance being the last to leave their rooms. The last to leave the building was the principal, Mrs. Carrie Miller, followed by the faithful drummer, still beating a march to double time, and as he passed through the main doorway the stop watch showed that only one minute and forty-five seconds had elapsed from the first stroke of the bell.

The speed, precision and order in which the children left the building speaks volumes for the discipline of the school.

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Do you know that we carry a heavy stock of Napa Cement and we guarantee every barrel? Griffiths Bros. Milling Company.

Assessment Notice.

Columbia Land & Water Company, location of principal place of business, Covina, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the board of directors of the Columbia Land & Water Company, held on November 13, an assessment of 150 cents per share was levied on the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately in lawful money of the United States of America to the secretary of the corporation at his office in Covina, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 11th day of December, 1905, will be delinquent and advertised for public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 2nd day of January, 1906, at 8 p.m., to pay the delinquent assessment together with the cost of advertising and expense of sale.

J. H. Matthews, Secretary.

Office of the company at Badillo street, Covina, Cal.

Assessment Notice.

Covina Irrigating Company, principal place of business, Covina, Rowland Township, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors, held on the first day of November, 1905, an assessment, (No. 40) of 75 cents per share was levied upon the capital stock (as increased October 22nd, 1886) of the above named corporation, payable at once to B. F. Edwards, secretary of said corporation, at the secretary's office in Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 5th day of December, 1905, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 27th day of of December, 1905, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of the company in Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California to pay the delinquent assessment, together with cost of advertising and expense of sale.

B. F. EDWARDS, Secretary.

Covina, Cal. 12-2

Assessment Notice.

Orange Avenue Land and Water Company, principal place of business Irwindale, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors, held on the 25th day of October, 1905, an assessment of 50 cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of the above named corporation, payable at once to Alfred Wilson, secretary of said corporation, at the secretary's office at Irwindale, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 5th day of December, 1905, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 27th day of December, 1905, at the office of the company in Irwindale, County of Los Angeles, State of California, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with cost of advertising and expense of sale.

ALFRED WILSON, Secretary.

Irwindale, Cal. 12-2

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

First National Bank of Covina

AT COVINA

in the State of California, at the close of business, November 9, 1905.

(Charter No. 5830)

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$101,855.60
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		411.08
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		25,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		1093.75
Bonds, securities etc.		17,080.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		18,303.32
Due from State Bank and Bankers		3,095.48
Due from approved reserve agents		31,600.01
Checks and other cash items		84.30
Fractional paper currency, nickels, cents		65.48
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:		
Specie	10,102.65	
Legal-Tender Notes	1,050.00	11,152.65
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer 5 per cent of circulation		1,250.00
Total		306,144.93

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$50,000.00
Surplus Fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	13,111.16
National Bank notes outstanding	25,000.00
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	14,307.74
Individual deposit subject to check	194,261.03
Demand certificates of deposit	1100.00
Total	306,144.93

State of California County of Los Angeles: ss

I, W. M. Griswold, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. M. GRISWOLD, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:

H. M. Houser
C. F. Clapp } Directors,
Geo. E. Anderson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of November, 1905

E. P. WARNER, Notary Public

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Santa Fe

Local Events.

Fresh oysters, 20c a dozen, at Crenshaw's grocery.

Board $4.00 a week at the Covina Dining Parlors.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Yarnell on Saturday, Nov. 11, a son.

Baled barley hay, Matthews' Feed Yard, Citrus avenue.

Any kind of decorated cake made to order. Warner, Whitsel & Co.

For Sale:—Two Jersey cows. J. M. Smith. Phone 219. 1t

Mrs. C A. Simmons and little son spent a portion of the week at Long Beach visiting with her mother.

For Sale:—Ten full blooded Minorcha roosters. J. H. Brown, the old Witham place. Phone 2099.

G. O. Dudderar spent Wednesday in Long Beach and Los Angeles on business.

Miss Rhoda Myers went to Glendora the fore part of the week for an extended stay with friends.

Get your rolled barley, oats and bran at Matthews' Feed Yard, just north of the Woman's Club House.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Kuns of Los Angeles attended the Love Feast held at the Brethren church last Saturday.

Otis Keeling has as his guest his friend, John Ellis, of Bolivar, Mo., who will spend the winter in Southern California.

Have you any trouble with your horses' feet. If so, bring them to Corbett, the blacksmith. He has made shoeing a life specialty. tf

Lost—A pair of bi-focal spectacles in case. Gold frame, riding bows. Please return to C. E. Bemis and receive reward.

All potted plants will be sold at 33⅓ per cent discount until my entire stock is cleaned out.

H. D. Blanchard.

Mrs. Francis Kummerner went to Santa Monica Monday to attend the funeral of an old friend, Mr. Thomas of Los Angeles.

Mrs. W. M. Warren of Park Place transacted business in Los Angeles and Hollywood the fore part of the week.

LOST—On Sunday evening between Second street and the Womans Club House a round abalone pin. Finder please leave at Argus office.

Miss Gertrude Smith went to Long Beach Tuesday to attend the opening of the new pavillion and visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Titus of Los Angeles, cousins of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Daniels of this place, who were injured in an automobile accident, are somewhat improved at this writing.

For sale:—1200 lb. surrey horse, surrey and harness, cultivator, new work harness, ridger and jumper, chickens. Cheap for cash. Call at barber shop. P. W. Cheney.

The Ladies Aid of the Baptist church will hold a sale of work and serve a lunch and ice cream and cake on Friday, Dec. 8th. Further particulars later.

Avoid the Rush

of holiday times and phone 170 now, for time to get some swell photos of yourself for Xmas presents. Artistic lighting and poses highly finished in Carbons, Platinums or Sephia on swell mountings at

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Barred Plymouth Rocks:—A few cockerels and pullets for sale for breeding. W. P. Watts.

Street hats, the finest line in the city at Mrs. Van Vliet's millinery parlors, McBride block.

H. E. Cheesebro of Los Angeles was in Covina yesterday circulating among his old friends.

Mrs. E. E. Pitts returned last Saturday from an extended visit with her mother at Fredericksburg, Iowa.

Given Away—Cobblestones for building purposes at H. E. Ward's, Charter Oak. Phone 1261.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Allen of Charter Oak, on Friday, Nov. 17th, a daughter.

The next regular meeting of the W.C.T.U. will be held in the Baptist church Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 3 p. m. Everybody cordially invited.

Mrs. W. J. Bothwell left Thursday morning to join her husband who has accepted a position in a dry goods store at Fresno.

Miss Etta Crouch, who has been spending three months with friends and relatives in Oklahoma and Kansas, returned last Friday evening.

Lost—Between Covina and San Dimas, Monday afternoon, between three and four o'clock, a cravenette overcoat. Leave at this office and receive reward.

Invest your savings in Covina Mutual Building and Loan Association Stock pays 12 per cent. See J. H. Matthews, secretary, Covina. Office opposite postoffice.

A number of Covina High School pupils boarded the train this morning for Los Angeles, where the foot-ball team will meet the Polytechnic High School eleven in the afternoon.

$50000. to loan in sums to suit at lowest rates. No commission nor charges for drawing papers. Fitzgerald & Barry, 100 E. Colorado street, Pasadena.

Don't forget the public reception and book shower, Covina public library, Saturday, Dec. 2, from 8 to 10 p.m. Bring a book and enjoy a program. Please accept this notice as an invitation. Formal announcements will only be sent to non-residents

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Sheriff White entertained Messrs. C. F. Clapp, Clarence Allison, J. H. Coolman, Geo. W. Griffiths and a party of El Monte friends at his beautiful El Monte ranch home, "Meadowbrook," on Thursday evening at a stag party. The Covina gentlemen went over in Mr. Clapp's auto.

L. B. Caldwell of Carpenteria, Cal., visited Mr. and Mrs. Newlan over Sunday. He has lived for forty years fifteen miles from Santa Barbara, but this is his first visit in this valley. He is much impressed with the scenery and growth of this section. He is a large fruit grower in the northern part of the State.

Mrs. J. C. Stone of Cleveland, Ohio, a temperance lecturer of national reputaiton, gave two most instructive lectures in the Christian Church, Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week. On Friday evening she took her hearers on a tour across the continent from the Pacific to the Atlantic border, visiting the places of most interest to the traveller. Her lectures were all illustrated wiht a stereopticon. Mrs. Strine is a lecturer of superior ability and all felt themselves highly repaid who were able to attend.

Miss Elsie Daniels was greatly surprised last Saturday evening when a party of young folks came to her home in a group and helped to celebrate her sixteenth birthday. The evening was merrily spent in playing games, after which refreshments of sandwiches, coffee, cake and cookies were served in the dining room. They all departed at a late hour wishing her many happy returns of the day. The invited guests were: Nellie and Lee McBride, Ethel Casey, Hattie Nye, Mildred [illegible], Lloyd Taylor, Mina Cady, Malvin Sigefed, Jennie and Minta [illegible], Weathy Hasthor, [illegible] Coolman, Hazel Havlin, [illegible] and Generva Smee, George Mott[illegible], Bertha Brubaker, Josie Reynolds, [illegible] and May Allison, Charley Houser, Lizzie and Richard Wren, Ora Bohn, Clay Benton, Myra Burpee, Virgil Bonham, Homer Wine.

Buy your fruit cake for holidays now. We have it ready. Warner, Whitsel & Co.

Topic for Epworth League tomorrow evening, "My Covenant with the People of God." Leader, Mrs. Hobart Cushman.

Miss Josie Reynolds entertained a number of her young friends at progressive flinch at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Reynolds, on E. Badillo street last evening.

With the advent of the Pacific Electric railroad comes another daily paper to Santa Ana, the Daily Register, the initial number of which will appear about Wednesday, Nov. 22.

Mrs. Carl Gerson and her mother, Mrs. Wm. Levy, who have been spending several months with the former's cousin, Mrs. J. R. Hodges, left Monday for Sawtelle, where Mrs. Gerson has accepted a position as manager of a store. Miss Levy left Tuesday for a month's visit with friends at her former home, Tyler, Texas.

TURKEYS! TURKEYS! TURKEYS! for your Thanksgiving dinner, fat young gobblers and hens, this years birds. Also a few mammoth gobblers. See or telephone P. M. Crane, Irwindale. Home Phone 1109.

NOTICE.

If you want to buy, sell, exchange, or rent real estate, orange groves, land, lots, dwelling houses or business property, see J. H. Matthews, the real estate man, at the old stand, northwest corner of Citrus and Badillo, opposite the postoffice, Covina. Eastern and northern lands and city property for sale and exchange.

The Rebekah lodge gave a reception last evening in Reed's Hall in honor of the new members and the friends of the lodge who assisted in the Rebekah minstrel last Friday evening. The chief feature of the evening was a banquet, which was thoroughly appreciated by all, after which a short program was rendered and the remainder of the evening spent in games.

Miss Pearl Hulce was very pleasantly surprised on Thursday evening by a party of her friends who assembled at her home on Park street to help celebrate her birthday. The evening was merrily spent in progressive games and music, after which refreshments of cake and ice cream were served. Miss Hulce was the recipient of many pretty and useful gifts. Those present were Misses Maud Edwards, Pearl McKirahan, Ethel Shank, Katherine White, Mrs. Olive Scott and Mrs. S. J. Walton, and Messrs. Edward Blanchard, Will Lavayea, Hal Larabee, Fred Huff, Chas. Simmons, Clarence West and S. J. Walton.

City Taxes.

The city taxes for the year 1905-06 became payable on Sept. 12 and are delinquent on Dec. 31. The same are now payable at the office of the City Clerk in the Reed Block. Hours 9 to 12 m. and 1 to 4 p. m.

I. C. FAIRLY,
City Marshal and Tax Collector.

Monday Afternoon Club.

The household economics session held last Monday afternoon was well attended by the ladies of the club. Mrs. Ratekin was assisted in the work by Mrs. Prather, who read a paper on the House Beautiful, by Mrs. Nye who gave an article on the location of the house, and by Mrs. Coleman who gave a paper on the plan of the house. The program for Monday afternoon, Nov. 20, is "Freeing of the Galley Slaves," "Enchantment of the Dulcinea," Mrs. A. L. Jessup; "Enchanted Bark," "Camacho's Wedding," Mrs. C. F. Clapp.

City Business.

The City Trustees met on Tuesday with a full board present.

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid: S. B. Cook $10; Pacific Light & Power Co. $31; Covina Land & Water Co. $6; G. L. Sanders $25; I. C. Fairly $28.25; A. Warner $26.40; C. E. Crawford $9; J. M. Poe $3.60; Chas. Matney $14; D. M. Young $5.

On motion of Trustee Bemis seconded by Trustee Evans, the Board of Health was requested to make a full report at the December meeting of the board of trustees of any places dangerous to the public health now existing within the corporate limits of Covina.

The treasurer's report showed a balance in hand of $992.94.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the city clerk to call to the attention of the officials of the Southern Pacific the necessity of additional lights at the Covina depot, as the present dark condition of the grounds and yards after sundown are dangerous to human life.

Important Business Items.

Baled alfalfa, Matthews' Feed Yard.

Fresh oysters, 20c a dozen, at Crenshaw's grocery. tf

Money to Loan:—See I. C. Fairly, the real estate man.

3000 school tablets have just been received at Clapp's.

Folding Pocket Lunch Boxes, 25 cts., at Clapp's.

Hay, oat, wheat and barley of the Griffiths Bros. Milling Company.

Midland Poultry Food—a balanced ration. For Sale by Griffiths Bros. Milling Co.

All the new and latest styles in first class portraits at C. W. Tucker's studio.

Comfortably furnished, airy rooms for rent by the day, week or month at Hotel Vendome.

For Sale—5 room house and large lot in good location. J. H. Matthews, real estate, Covina.

For Sale—6 room house, lot 50x150. J. H. Matthews, real estate, Covina.

All potted plants will be sold at 33⅓ per cent discount until my entire stock is cleaned out.

H. D. Blanchard.

A fifteen per cent larger loaf of twenty per cent better bread for the same money. Why not investigate it? Warner, Whitsel & Co.

Ask your dealers for Griffiths Bros. Wheat Flakes. Always fresh and dependable. The best on the market, fresh from the mills every three days.

Just received a large shipment of beautiful pocket cutlery. The finest assortment ever received in this city. C. W. Potter.

We carry a full line of crockery, glassware, tinware and graniteware. A fine selection of A1 goods marked at low prices. Enow & Son.

First class horse clipping at Covina Livery by experienced help. Home phone 30. F. E. Dudderar, Prop. tf

For Sale—Stove wood, cut in stove lengths; half walnut, half grape, $6 per cord; grape wood $5 per cord, on the ground. D. C. Mensing, Irwindale. 12-2p

L. C. Bozart, appraiser for Southern California of the Renters Loan and Trust Co., spent Saturday looking over Glendora with our local real-estate agents, Weaver and Miller.

Mrs. W. H. Keim of Los Angeles arrived Monday evening and is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Trostle. She will be joined the latter part of the week by her husband who will remain over Sunday.

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We have a thousand and one other things. We invite you to come and inspect our stock.

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With every effort directed to clothing, and to clothing only, our suits carry the unmistakable marks of the superior craftsman. They look better because they fit better; they wear better because they are better made; and hold their shape for the same reason. They satisfy better for all these reasons, and no tailor can excel them. Fall patterns now in.

We carry a full line of M. Born & Company's samples: Suits $12.50 and up.

J. A. Schumm, the Tailor

COVINA, CAL.

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While the Thanksgiving festivities are uppermost in your thoughts, don't pass this store in search of fruit, table raisins, celery, spices, superior canned fruits, or any of the side issues so essential to a perfectly balanced dinner. You can find them all here. New goods and good goods, and at prices that will make friends for this store.

Cranberries, Oysters in bulk 20c a doz.
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Pitching hay is hard work for any one, but for the man who has the least tendency to bronchitis it is dangerous, because of the small particles of dust and chaff which are inhaled and greatly irritate the throat.

Bronchitis and other diseases of the organs of respiration are cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This great remedy is not to be classed with common cough medicines, which are mainly opiates. There is no opium in "Golden Medical Discovery," and it is entirely free from cocaine and all other narcotics. It is a non-alcoholic and non-narcotic medicine. It heals the inflamed tissues, cures obstinate, deep-seated coughs, bleeding lungs and other conditions, which, if neglected or unskilfully treated, terminate fatally in consumption.

"I wrote to you for advice and you advised me to take 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Pleasant Pellets,' which I did, and to my surprise got well," writes Mr. Joseph A. Valleroy, of Forman, Ill. (Box 3). "Had what the doctors called bronchitis, and whenever I would take cold would suffer greatly; but since taking two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and one bottle of his 'Pleasant Pellets' have been cured of that terrible trouble. Before taking your medicine I weighed one hundred and twenty pounds; now weigh one hundred and thirty."

The sole motive for substitution is to permit the dealer to make the little more profit paid by the sale of less meritorious medicines. He gains; you lose. Therefore accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery."

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is a splendid one. Our Prices and Terms are consistent with the Quality offered. If you have in mind the purchase of a Piano or other musical instrument you surely should consult the "Big House" before you buy.

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Write for free catalogue and full information, and when in the city call and examine the line of WORLD FAMOUS PIANOS we offer.

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Proverbs

"When the butter won't come put a penny in the churn," is an old time dairy proverb. It often seems to work though no one has ever told why.

When mothers are worried because the children do not gain strength and flesh we say give them Scott's Emulsion.

It is like the penny in the milk because it works and because there is something astonishing about it.

Scott's Emulsion is simply a milk of pure cod liver oil with some hypophosphites especially prepared for delicate stomachs.

Children take to it naturally because they like the taste and the remedy takes just as naturally to the children because it is so perfectly adapted to their wants.

For all weak and pale and thin children Scott's Emulsion is the most satisfactory treatment.

We will send you the penny, *i. e.*, a sample free.

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50c and $1.00 all druggists

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A Telling Retort.

A telling retort was made by a commercial traveler to an unkind remark made by a young woman whom he had met at the house of a friend.

The young woman, of New England origin, inquired the occupation of the young man.

"I am a commercial traveler," quietly remarked the young man.

"Ah, indeed!" she returned, in a very patronizing manner. "Do you know that in my part of the country commercial travelers are not received in good society?"

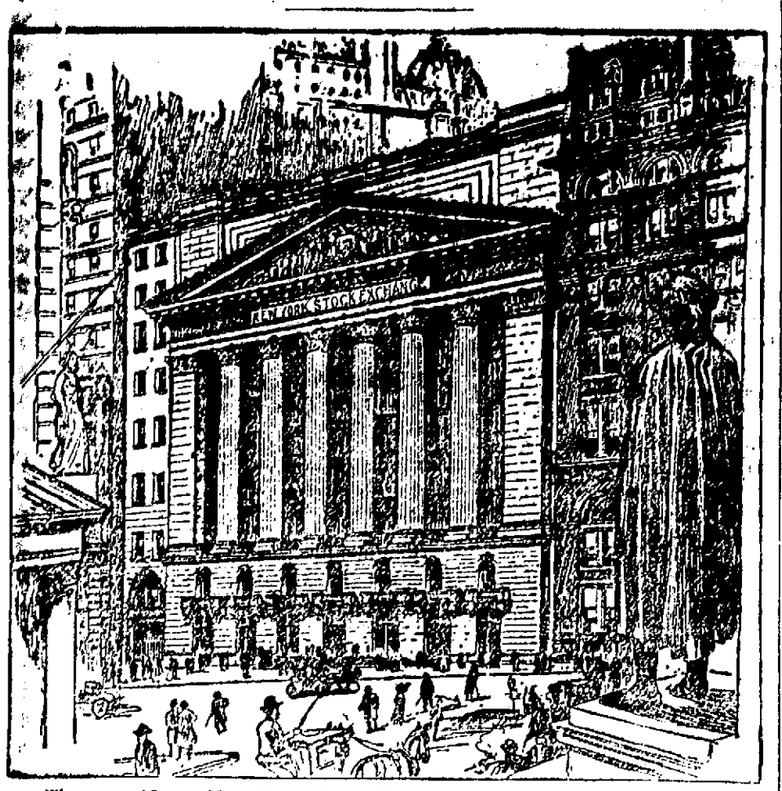
"Nor are they here, madam," quickly replied the young man, bowing politely.

At the Circus.

She—Were the clown's jokes funny?

He—Very. Why, even the lions roared.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.



The magnificent New York Stock Exchange has entrances on three streets—Broad, New and Wall. The present building is worth, with the ground on which it stands, more than $7,000,000. It is of white marble and is said to be the finest building devoted to a similar purpose in the entire world.

FROM CLERK TO MAGNATE.

Remarkable Rise to Wealth and Power of James J. Hill.

Forty-one years ago James J. Hill, the great railroad magnate, who recently celebrated his 67th birthday anniversary, was a mud clerk on a small steamboat plying up and down the Mississippi. A mud clerk in Mississippi River parlance is applied to under clerks, who go ashore at landings and check baggage and freight. That is what Hill was. Not many years later he controlled the line of steamboats on which he had been employed as mud clerk. He is a Canadian by birth, having been born at Guelph, Ont., in 1838. His father was Irish, his mother Scotch, and while the son had the characteristics of both races, he was essentially American, first and last. He attended the Rockwood Academy, a Quaker school, for eight years, and then the death of his father threw him upon his own resources, which were ample. At the age of 18 he looked about him, and finally selecting St. Paul as the most likely place in the West for an ambitious young man, he went there, taking a position as mud clerk on the Dubuque and St. Paul Packet Company's line of steamboats. In the next few years he served with various shipping firms, and in 1865 took the agency of the Northwestern Packet Company. He served in this capacity for two years, and then he started in business for himself, engaging in the fuel and transportation trade. As he once put it, "I found it better to expend my energies in my own behalf than in behalf of others." Among other things he decided in looking about that the railroad business offered even greater fields than that offered by river traffic, and firm in this belief he laid plans to secure the agency for the St. Paul & Pacific Railroad, and his plans did not miscarry. They seldom have. In 1869 the Hill, Griggs & Co. transportation firm came into existence. This firm was very successful, but not sufficiently successful to suit young Hill. About that time he made many trips up into North Dakota, or the Red River valley, and there he saw natural agricultural facilities second to none in the country. It was a howling wilderness almost, but never mind that; the opportunities waited to be taken advantage of, and young Hill forthwith did take advantage of them. In 1870 he started the Red River Transportation Company, opening up the northwestern wilds to the farmer, and a year later he had bored his way into the interests of the Hudson Bay Company and consolidated with it.

JAMES J. HILL.

But in the meantime he had his eye on the gradually increasing railroad interests of the country, and in 1872 his great opportunity presented itself. The St. Paul & Pacific Railroad defaulted, and Hill, having foreseen it and laid his plans accordingly, promptly set about interesting English capitalists in this road. Lord Mount Stephen and Sir Donald Smith listened, and the end was that in 1878 Hill gained control of the bonds of that company. In 1883 he was made president. He reorganized the road and named it the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railroad. Slowly but surely the Great Northern system came into existence. In 1890 he became president of the Great Northern, a system extending from Puget sound, on the Pacific coast, to St. Paul; from Duluth on the north to Yankton, S. D., on the south. He started the Northern Steamship Company, controlling the great lake traffic, and not content with his line of trans-Pacific steamships he is now perfecting plans for additional Oriental trade through the Nippon-Yushon Kaisha Steamship Company.

TALKS ON ADVERTISING

Newspaper advertising is generally recognized in this day and generation as a valuable adjunct in the business world. It is not only regarded by a large majority of retail dealers as a necessity and one that pays compound interest, but the buyers likewise insist upon consulting the advertising columns of their favorite journal.

In the city the popular newspaper is the daily. In the country the weekly press has an equally strong hold on the reader. The best argument that advertising pays is found in the progress advertising has made in the past few years both in the city daily and the country weekly.

There is as much reason why the country dealer should advertise in his local newspaper as that the city advertiser should persistently cry his goods in the city daily. It is probable that the country merchant gets fully as large returns from his advertising, according to the amount expended, as does the city dealer.

The country dealer's newspaper announcements bring returns in increased trade. The more care he takes in preparing his advertisements the better the results. The advantages of an advertisement are not all realized in a week or even a month. The results are cumulative.

The newspaper advertisements keep their readers constantly informed as to what the merchants have for sale. When an article is needed the dealer who has been telling the public through the press that he has that particular line of goods secures a customer. The new resident of a town early subscribes for the local newspaper that he and his family may become familiar with the town's doings, names, etc. The advertisements are a point of especial interest to them.

The direct returns are not all the advantages of the merchants' advertising, although the investment in itself is undoubtedly a reasonably profitable one. The local newspaper is constantly pointing out to its readers the mistaken policy of buying from mail order houses and big department stores. The local advertisement will still further assist in discouraging the practice and help to keep money circulating in local channels that would be lost forever if sent to catalogue houses.—Northfield (Vt.) News.

Profitable Fellowship.

Among the pleasures and profits of intelligent travel are the companionships one forms. The well-poised traveler is never afraid to make new friends. He soon learns to read human nature sufficiently to know whom to trust, and he cannot travel, even to a very limited extent, without meeting many people well worth knowing. The little home circle is delightful and often helpful, but the view points and opportunities of our fellow citizens are so nearly identical that our next-door neighbors are not apt to furnish as profitable friendships as persons we meet whose environments are different and who have, perhaps, had a wider range of opportunities and seen more of the things worth while, which are the heritage of the traveler.

When the man who is familiar with the East meets the man who has learned the great story of the West, the conversation is pretty apt to be worth listening to.—Four Track News.

There was once a woman who could actually stitch a man's shirt in the right place, but she has been dead several hundred years.

Southern Pacific Co.

TRAINS FROM LOS ANGELES TO COVINA

STATIONS	NUMBERS OF TRAINS 16 Daily	22 Daily
Lv. Los Angeles	8:05 a m	5:25 p m
Ar. Covina	9:04 a m	6:33 p m

TRAINS FROM COVINA TO LOS ANGELES

STATIONS	NUMBERS OF TRAINS 15 Daily.	19 Daily	21 Daily Flyer
Lv. Covina	7:50 a m	3:47 p m	5:58 p m
Ar. Los Angeles	8:50 a m	4:45 p m	6:50 p m

Santa Fe Route

TRAINS BETWEEN LOS ANGELES AND AZUSA

THE ATTENTION OF THE PUBLIC

is respectfully directed to the following important changes in the time of the Santa Fe trains running between Azusa and Los Angeles. Effective June 4th, 1905.

TO LOS ANGELES

STATIONS	No. 7 Overland	No. 1 Overland		No. 41 Daily		No. 3 Limited	No. 43 Daily
	a. m.	a. m.		a. m.		p. m.	p. m.
Leave Azusa	5:35	7:10		9:01		1:10	4:41
Ar. in Los Angeles	6:30	8:25		10:03		2:05	5:40

FROM LOS ANGELES

STATIONS	No. 8 Overland	No. 42 Local Daily		No. 44 Local Daily		No. 4 Limited	No. 2 Overland
	a. m.	a. m.		p. m.		p. m.	p. m.
Leave Los Angeles	7:30	8:30		4:30		6:15	8:00
Arrive in Azusa	8:32	9:32		5:26		7:04	9:04

Note:—No. 3, Tuesday and Friday, only stops to let off Eastern passengers. No. 4, Monday and Thursday, only stops for Eastern passengers on request.

O. J. BERNER, Agent.

COVINA MEAT MARKET

Madison & Kendall, Prop's.

Wholesale and Retail Butcher

wagons run through the Valley daily. Orders town will receive prompt attention and immediate delivery.

For Fresh and Tender Beef, Mutton and Pork

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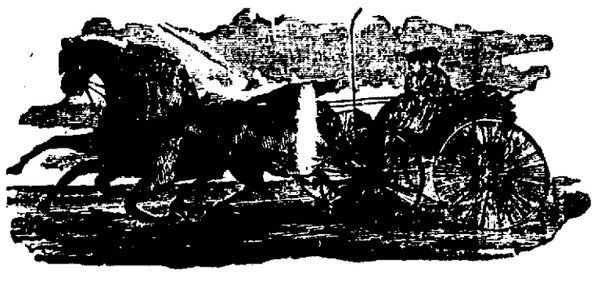

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COVINA LIVERY STABLES

Special Rates to Traveling Men
Carriage Will Meet Every Train

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RHEUMATISM
BODY RACKED WITH PAIN

No other bodily suffering is equal to that produced by the pain of Rheumatism. When the poisons and acids, which cause this disease, become intrenched in the blood there is hardly any part of the body that is not affected. The muscles become sore and drawn, the nerves twitch and sting, the joints inflame and swell, the bones ache, every movement is one of agony, and the entire body is racked with pain. Rheumatism is brought on by indigestion, stomach troubles, torpid Liver, weak Kidneys and a general inactive state of the system. The refuse matter instead of passing off through nature's avenues is left to sour and form uric acid, and other acrid poisons which are absorbed into the blood. Rheumatism does not affect all alike. In some cases it takes a wandering form; it may be in the arms or legs one day and in the shoulders, feet, hands, back or other parts of the body the next. Others suffer more seriously, and are never free from pain. The uric acid and other irritating substances find lodgement in the muscles and joints and as these deposits increase the muscles become stiff and the joints locked and immovable. It matters not in what form the disease may be the cause is always the same—a sour, acid condition of the blood. This vital stream has lost its purity and freshness, and instead of nourishing and feeding the different parts with health-giving properties, it fills them with the acids and salts of this painful and far-reaching disease. The cold and dampness of Winter always intensify the pains of Rheumatism, and the sufferer to get relief from the agony, rubs the affected parts with liniments, oils, lotions, etc., or uses plasters and other home remedies. These are desirable because they give temporary ease and comfort but have no effect on the real trouble which is in the blood and beyond the reach of such treatment. S. S. S. is the best remedy for Rheumatism. It goes into the blood and attacks the disease at its head, and by neutralizing and driving out the acids and building up the thin, sour blood it cures the disease permanently. While cleansing the blood S. S. S. tones up the stomach, digestion and every other part of the system, soothes the excited nerves, reduces the inflammation, dissolves the deposits in the joints, relieves all pain and completely cures this distressing disease. S. S. S. is a certain cure for Rheumatism in any form; Muscular, Inflammatory, Articular or Sciatic. Special book on the disease and any medical advice, without charge, to all who write. ***THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.***

About fifteen years ago I had a severe attack of Rheumatism and could not work with any satisfaction. My legs were badly swollen and drawn so I could scarcely walk. I tried many remedies but could get no relief. I was finally recommended to try S. S. S. and it soon cured me sound and well. I am now 74 years old and have never had any return of the trouble.
JOSEPH FROME HAWLEY,
Box 104. Aurora, Ill.

Sometime ago I had Rheumatism and had to quit work. The pains in my back and between my shoulders was so intense I could not rest or sleep. I tried everything but nothing did me any good till I heard of and took S. S. S. This medicine cured me sound and well. It purified my blood and made me feel like a new man.
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PURELY VEGETABLE.

IMMENSE TOBACCO PURCHASE.

Forty-Eight Thousand Dollars Paid for a Fancy Lot of Tobacco.

The biggest purchase of high grade tobacco ever made in the West by a cigar manufacturer was made last Wednesday by Frank P. Lewis, Peoria Ill., for his celebrated Single Binder cigar. A written guarantee was given that the entire amount was to be fancy selected tobacco. This, no doubt, makes the Lewis factory the largest holder in the United States of tobacco of so high a grading.—*Herald-Transcript.*

Dealers supplied by their jobber or direct from Frank P. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Dealing in Futures.

Young Lady—I want to look at some hammocks, please.

Dealer—Yes, ma'am. What style—for one or two persons?

Young Lady—Why—er—one, I guess. We are to be made one the latter part of next month.

Knew Whereof He Spoke.

"Isn't it queer," said Singleton, "that a woman takes a man's name when she marries?"

"Oh, I don't know," replied Wedderly. "It would be queerer still if she didn't take everything else the poor fay has."

Piso's Cure is a good cough medicine. It has cured coughs and colds for forty years. At druggists, 25 cents.

Disastrous Experiment.

They're telling of a Jackson County farmer who found an auto horn in the road one day and took it home and taught his chickens to recognize its honk as their feed call. Instead of calling them in the old-fashioned way the farmer or his wife would blow the auto horn. One day an automobilist passed the farm going about fifteen miles an hour and tooting his horn. The chickens near the house took out after the auto and fourteen hens and three roosters ran themselves to death behind the machine.—Kansas City Times.

Men Were Liars Ever.

Mother (entering dining room)—Why, my dear, what is the matter?

Daughter (sobbing)—Harry is a b-brute, and I'm going to leave him.

Mother—Has he dared to strike you?

Daughter—No; it's worse than t-that. B-Before we were m-married he s-said he would d-die for me, and now he w-won't even eat my b-biscuits.

It is much better to have your gold in your hand than in the heart.—Fuller.

Mirth cannot move a soul in agony.—Shakspeare.

Fooled.

A regiment of soldiers was drawn up for church parade in the barrack square, but the church was being repaired and could only hold half of them.

"Sergeant-major," shouted the colonel, "tell all the men who don't want to go to church to fall out on the reverse flank."

Of course a large number quickly and gladly availed themselves of the privilege.

"Now, sergeant-major," said the colonel, "dismiss all the men who did not fall out and march the others to church; they need it most."—London Standard.

He Saw It.

An American touring in the country with an English friend stopped to point out to him a sign post on which some wag had printed this sign:

"This way to Squedunk. Those who cannot read apply at the blacksmith's opposite."

The American roared with laughter, but the Englishman looked puzzled. After they had returned home that night the Englishman came into his host's room roaring with laughter.

"Ah," he said, "I see the joke now—suppose the blacksmith were out?"—Harper's Weekly.

A Poultry Mill.

Mary's father was trying the experiment of raising chickens with an incubator in his barn. The neighbors were much interested in this experiment, and, meeting Mary, one of them asked:

"Mary, have you any little chickens at your house yet?"

"No, but we're makin' some," replied the little maiden.—Lippincott's.

Invisible.

The Judge—You say you are not a vagrant, yet you have no visible means of support.

The Hobo—I did have dis mornin', yer honor.

The Judge—Then why isn't it visible at the present time?

The Hobo—'Cause I went an' eat it

On the Trail with a Fish Brand Pommel Slicker

"I followed the trail from Texas to Montana with a FISH BRAND Slicker, used for an overcoat when cold, a wind coat when windy, a rain coat when it rained, and for a cover at night if we got to bed, and I will say that I have gotten more comfort out of your slicker than any other one article that I ever owned."
(The name and address of the writer of this unsolicited letter may be had on application.)

Wet Weather Garments for Riding, Walking, Working or Sporting.

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TOWER CANADIAN CO., Limited TORONTO, CANADA

The Sign of the Fish TOWER'S FISH BRAND

Speed Limit.

Eva—When Jack proposed in the automobile were you in love with him?

Ernie—I was carried away with him.

Eva—You don't say!

Ernie—Yes. He lost control of the machine.

Irrigation is said to be lowering the temperature of Egypt appreciably.

900 DROPS
CASTORIA
A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of
INFANTS CHILDREN
Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.
Recipe of Old Dr SAMUEL PITCHER
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A perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.
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35 DOSES—35 CENTS
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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.
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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

Was Too Old for That.

A young lawyer whose love of flowers and all things green and growing compelled him to establish his home in one of the suburban towns of New York invited his old chum, Brown, also of the bar, to spend Sunday on the farm, says the New York Sun.

Brown was received with all appropriate honor, and all the attractions were duly displayed to his polite but not overkeen gaze, for he was somewhat deficient in that primal passion for a garden which has come down through the generations from Adam.

At each meal he listened courteously to eulogies of 'our own make" viands. He bore patiently "our own milk, lettuce from that frame you saw, peas off the vine in the back lot," and so on. But at last it got to this:

"Harry, I can recommend this chicken especially. I raised it myself."

Then the worm turned,—after the first mouthful of chicken,—and with a sad smile remarked:

"No, Will, I can't believe that. You've only been here a little over two years."

Misunderstood.

"I won't see you to-morrow," said her fiance, who was interested in politics. "I must go to Washington."

"What for?" demanded the sweet young thing.

"I want to get our Congressman to support our bill and——"

"The idea! Your Bill should support himself. How can he be so lazy?"—Philadelphia Press.

An Optimistic View.

"Dearest," whispered Cordelia, after she had captured the coveted solitaire, "I have a confession to make. I am a cooking school graduate."

Clarence shuddered.

"Oh, well," he rejoined, after the manner of one resigned to his fate, "we can board."

An Insinuation.

Braggs—I killed a bear during my hunting trip in Montana.

Waggs—So? How far did he chase you before he dropped?

A Doctor's Medicine

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is not a simple cough syrup. It is a strong medicine, a doctor's medicine. It cures hard cases, severe and desperate cases, chronic cases of asthma, pleurisy, bronchitis, consumption. Ask your doctor about this.

"I have used a great deal of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for coughs and hard colds on the chest. It has always done me great good. It is certainly a most wonderful cough medicine."—MICHAEL J. FITZGERALD, Medford, N. J.

Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of
Ayer's SARSAPARILLA. PILLS. HAIR VIGOR.

You will hasten recovery by taking one of Ayer's Pills at bedtime.

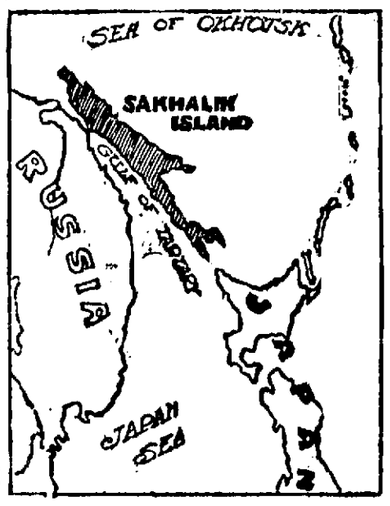
Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

COLD, UNTILLABLE AND BIG.

Its Mineral Wealth Makes Sakhalin Valuable.

Nobody is ever warm on Sakhalin. The climate resembles that of Siberia. You cannot farm to advantage. Only here and there is the soil at all fertile, and even then you must content yourself with raising market truck and expect to get malaria while weeding your garden. Such at least has been the experience of Russian penal colonists who have tried to wrest a living from the soil. Moreover, the country looks every whit as inhospitable as experiment has proved it to be. They say that when Russian exiles get their first glimpse of that rocky coast and those grim, cloudcapped mountains they often burst into tears for very despair. When such of them as are not life prisoners have served their term and become "free colonists," they are almost certain to leave Sakhalin and settle in Siberia. They call the country of their imprisonment "The Isle of the Lost."

Cold, untillable, but big—is that the whole story? If it were then we should certainly be at a loss to know why the peace envoys at Portsmouth are haggling over the question of who is to own Sakhalin. But that isn't by



SAKHALIN ISLAND.

any means the whole story. The Isle of the Lost is also the Isle of Potential Wealth. If it had no other claim to importance its dense forests would be enough to make it worth owning. Practically untouched, they stretch from one end of Sakhalin to the other. The Japanese will know what to do with them.

Besides, there is coal—not easily mined, but abundant. At Duey the toughest criminals have worked chained to their barrows, and each year they spent in the mines has counted as a year and a half toward hastening their discharge. Sakhalin has long supplied ships with fuel. Perhaps the Japanese will develop the coal mines to the full extent of their possibilities, but it is certain at all events that they will develop the oil fields. According to C. S. Patonoff the oil regions of Sakhalin are richer than those of America. Subterranean lakes some of them with an area of 8,000 square feet lie so close to the surface that natural gushers can be easily established. The oil regions lend themselves readily to exploitation, for the east coast is only from 20 to 25 miles away, and there nature has provided harbors that boats drawing 20 feet of water can safely enter.

They that speak the most make the least noise.—Selden.

On the Farm.

Farmer's Boy—Paw, kin I go fishin'?

Farmer—Got yer work done?

Farmer's Boy—Yes, paw.

Farmer—Fence holes dug?

Farmer's boy—Yes, paw.

Farmer—All the corn hoed?

Farmer's Boy—Yes, paw.

Farmer—Horses curried, cows fed an' milked?

Farmer's Boy—Yes, paw—everything.

Farmer—Well, ye can go, but if ye go down to the crick an' fool aroun' instead o' fishin' like ye ort to fish, an' don't come back with a nice mess for supper, I'll give ye a wallopin' that'll last ye for a week.—Detroit Tribune.

Said the Right Thing.

Mother—Why did you let him kiss you?

Edith—Well, he was so nice about it. He asked——

Mother—The idea! Haven't I told you you must learn to say "no?"

Edith—That's what I did say. He asked me if I'd be angry if he kissed me."—Philadelphia Ledger.

His Theory.

The Maid—From your viewpoint, I suppose, marriage is a failure.

The Bachelor—It is—and the woman in the case is the preferred creditor.

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"Admitted," rejoined the old bachelor at the foot of the table, "otherwise the majority of them would never be able to break into the matrimonial game."

Such Dear Friends, Too.

Maytne—Here are some proofs I just received from the photographer. Which is the best?

Edyth—Do you mean which is the best picture or which looks the most like you?

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IRWINDALE.

Miss May Coffman is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ernest Washburn of Los Angeles.

The Miscellany Club met Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Mrs. Edgar's.

Miss Keys, who has been visiting with Mrs. Newlan, returned to her home in Pomona Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Legg visited their daughter, Mrs. J. W. Heath, last week. Walter Legg also spent Sunday here.

Mrs. J. W. Heath visited Claremont Tuesday.

Mrs. Chas. Coffman is sick this week with quinsy and a severely sore throat.

VINELAND.

Real Estate Transfers.—Marriage of Pretty Schoolma'am.

Mr. Cromwell, a recent arrival from St. Paul, Minn., has purchased the W. G. Young ranch of five acres and will take immediate possession of the property. Mr. Young will move his family to Los Angeles and these estimable people will be greatly missed in our prosperous community.

Mrs. Sivertson, who recently purchased the D. L. Allen grove, has taken possession of her newly acquired property. She has with her a married daughter who with the latter's family will make a welcome addition to our social circles.

Mr. Duncan, an aged rancher, who suffered the amputation of one of his limbs nearly a year ago, is reported as very weak and his friends fear a fatal termination to his recent illness.

Miss Lenora Collins, our pretty and accomplished school teacher, occasioned considerable surprise to her many friends when it became known on Monday that she had been quietly married on the previous Saturday at San Bernardino to Mr. William H. Shaffer of Covina. The secret leaked on Monday and on Tuesday evening the happy young couple were tendered a reception by admiring friends who made the occasion one long to be remembered. The Argus joins in extending to them sincere congratulations for a long and happy life.

GLENDORA

Mrs. Bacon of Long Beach is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. W. Wohlgemuth and family.

Among the real estate sales this week are three lots to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baker on Vista Bonita street.

Will Strickler of Los Angeles was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Shank over Sunday.

The Misses Grace and Ruth Gnaggy were guests of Covina friends Saturday and Sunday.

Wm. Benton has returned to his home in Pasadena after selling his interest in the Glendora Bakery to F. J. Chambers.

Mrs. C. E. Kregelo is expected tomorrow from Indianapolis. She will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. H. H. Beckwith and family.

Among the passengers to Los Angeles Tuesday were the Misses Swordfeger, Daisy Fenton and Mrs. C. Rugan and son Clyde.

J. A. Lewis and family, accompanied by Mrs. Lewis's mother, Mrs. Laymun, were guests of E. Seeger and family of Los Angeles Saturday.

The Misses Iona Summers of Los Angeles and Inez Cook of Pasadena were guests of Mrs. T. V. Wamsley and family Saturday and Sunday.

D. F. Hendricksen, road foreman of this district, was in attendance at the funeral of Supervisor Longdon at San Gabriel Sunday.

A. C. Ti[illegible], who recently arrived from O[illegible] and with his wife is spending [illegible] winter with his daughter, Mrs. [illegible] Nichols and family of Los Angeles [illegible] spent Sunday in Glendora greeting old friends.

Messrs. [illegible]nest Bradley, Pliny Miller, [illegible] Campbell and Albert Rogers [illegible] Monday evening from a [illegible]'s duck hunting trip to Elsinore. They report a most enjoyable [illegible] with plenty of wild ducks.

The f[illegible] are the hours for the public [illegible] Every afternoon except [illegible] 3:30 to 5:30, and on [illegible] Thursday and Saturday eve[illegible] books or magazines cannot [illegible] or received except at [illegible]. By order of the library.

R. B. Bidwell was in attendance at the Stanford Club banquet in Los Angeles Saturday. He reports a most enjoyable time.

Mrs. W. L. Reynard entertained Saturday evening with a tamale supper in honor of her husband, W. L. Reynard's birthday. A large number of relatives and friends enjoyed a delightful evening.

S. P. Campbell and son John spent Sunday with Mrs. Campbell in Los Angeles. We are glad to report that Mrs. Campbell is rapidly improving after a critical operation at the Sister's Hospital where she now is.

Miss Lizzie Cline and brother Will Cline of Burlington, New Jersey, who have been visiting their cousin, Mrs. Hopner, and Mrs. Chas. Norcross and family for the past three weeks., left Thursday for San Bernardino on their way home.

Rev. W. L. Miller and family who recently arrived here from New York City, and have been guests of their uncle, C. A. Weaver and family, have taken rooms with Mrs. Ellis and will make their home here. It is with much pleasure that we welcome this estimable family into our midst.

Mr. Miller has gone into partnership with Mr. Weaver in the real estate business and we wish to call the attention of our citizens to the "ad" of this new firm, Weaver & Miller, who establish themselves here to work for all the interests of our town.

Real Estate.

Continued activity in Covina ranch and city property is shown by the numerous transfers during the past week. Local firms are identified with the larger transactions, as shown below, and these firms assert that they anticipate a busy season.

SOLD TO SUB-DIVIDE.

I. C. Fairly Company reports the sale of what is known as the Prescott homestead, 10.46 acres of highly improved orange grove on the San Bernardino road to a Los Angeles syndicate, for sub-division. There is a large two-story eight-room house on the property. Price paid $11,000 cash. It is an excellent buy, being cheap for orchard property, and being within the city limits makes it gilt edge. The sub-division of the property into city lots means the extension west of Cottage Drive and Orange street.

I. C. Fairly has also purchased this week 10 residence lots on W. Center street from T. A. McCormick. Mrs. Edna Leighton has secured a half interest in this purchase.

PRODUCTIVE GROVE.

P. S. Rilli, a recent arrival from England, has purchased through the agency of Blanchard & Gillespie a nine acre orange grove on Covina avenue, adjoining the reservoir of the Covina Land & Water Company, owned by the Houser Bros., for $7200. This is excellent income property and contains 7 acres of Washington navels and two acres of Valencias. Mr. C. H Evans, also a recent arrival from England, is interested in the purchase. These gentlemen expect to build a handsome residence on the property.

RANCHES TRADED.

H. D. Blanchard has traded his ten acre orange grove on Cienega avenue, near Charter Oak, for a five acre grove on Workman street, the property of William Aschenbrenner. Both groves are highly improved, the Blanchard property being valued at $6500. Mr. Aschenbrenner traded his place in at $4500.

Building Notes.

Contractor Geo. W. Coolman has commenced the erection this week of a packing house on the Southern Pacific tracks at the Azusa avenue crossing for J. M. Riley, owner of a 10 acre grove on Azusa avenue. This makes the twelfth packing house on this line within a radius of two miles. The same contractor has been awarded the bid for the erection of a pretty residence for Mrs. Nora Fisher on her ranch north of the city. He also reports the residence on the Reynolds tract for our enterprising groceryman, E. A. Rich as nearing completion.

Contractor Allison has a large force rushing to completion the extensive additions and improvements to the Covina High Land Citrus Union packing house. This work is being hurried to have the house ready for the early shipments. This contractor has also a crew finishing a beautiful residence for Jacob Maechtlen on his ranch east of the city.

The comfortable residence erected by A. G. Gaut on Howard street is also nearing completion.

Church News

Services in the Church of the Holy Trinity. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion 7:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer 11 o'clock. Subject, 'Freedom by the Truth." Evensong 7:30 p.m. Subject, "Is Christianity Losing Ground?" Offertory anthem by the choir.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Isaac Jewell, D.D., pastor. Sunday-school 9:45 a.m; Junior League 3 p.m.; Epworth League 6:30 p.m.; preaching 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; morning subject, "The Man of Nazareth and His Mission;" evening, "King Soloman—His Work and His Glory." Prof. Jennison will have charge of the orchestra at the evening service and will assist the choir. All are invited to attend our services.

Baptist services: Preaching at both services by the pastor, Geo. W. Taylor. Sunday School at 10 and preaching at 11 a.m. in the church building next to new public library. B.Y.P.U. at 6:45 and preaching at 7:30 p.m. in Womans Club House. The stereopticon views will consist of the famous Ram's Horn cartoons, by the immortal Frank Beard. These slides are new and are rented from Chicago and will positively not be shown again. There will be a beautiful illustrated popular song with 25 colored views from life. We desire to make these the people's services in the highest sense and the packed house last Sunday night proves that the Covina people appreciate our efforts. Seats free and everybody invited.

Services tomorrow at Covina Church of Christ. Preaching morning and evening by J. W. Utter. Morning subject, "The More Reasonable View." Junior 3:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor 6:30 p.m. Subject, "Medical Missions." Mark 1:29-34. Led by missionary committee. The music both at the morning and evening services will be in charge of the married folks of the church, who will compose the choir. Come and hear the "Good Old Songs."

Presbyterian services: Morning services in Womans Club House. Sunday School at 10 and preaching at 11 o'clock. Evening services in Reed's hall. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p.m. and preaching at 7:30p.m. Rev. H. B. Gage of Los Angeles will preach morning and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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THE WEARING OF BEARDS.

At One Time a Tax Was Exacted For the Privilege.

In days gone by the wearing of a beard was a privilege that had to be paid for, the tax on every beard of a fortnight's growth being 3s. 4d. In the gracious days of Queen Elizabeth. For over half a century the monarchs of Russia made their male subjects who wore beards pay into the national exchequer. This tax was imposed by Peter the Great in 1705, the nobles having to disburse 100 rubles and the lower classes 1 kopeck. The tax on beards was kept up by Peter's four successors on the throne of all the Russias, and it was finally repealed in 1762 by Catherine II. France, too, at one time imposed a beard tax upon the clergy, which was paid by those who could afford it, although the large majority had to yield to the razor's onslaught.

In the fourteenth century shaving was popular with young men, while the old men were attached to forked beards. The latter custom is referred to by Chaucer, who in describing an assembly says, "A merchant was there with a forked beard." Beards were worn in various shapes and forms during the reigns of Elizabeth, James I. and Charles I., as the poems, plays and other literary productions of those periods amply testify. In his "Anatomie of Abuses" Stubbs alludes to the barber who was accustomed to ask his client whether he wished his beard "cut to look terrible to your enemy or amiable to your friends, grim and stern in countenance or pleasant and demure."

William Harrison, a clergyman from whom one gains many peeps at the sixteenth century, refers to some of the styles of beards at that period. If a face happened to be "platter-like," a long, slender beard would make it seem the narrower. If it be weasel beaked, then "much hear left on the cheekes will make the owner looke like a bowdled hed and so grim as a goose."—London Standard.

BUTTER WEIGHT.

What One Observer Learned From a Visit to a Grocery.

Live and learn. I heard a respectable looking, motherly soul, making purchases for the family, say to the grocer, "Be sure to give me butter weight, now, for I've been a long time customer of yours." "Certainly, Mrs. MacLaren," he replied cheerily, "you are entitled to it if any one is." Yet she bought no butter.

"What is butter weight?" I inquired when she had gone. "Why, that's just a little sop we hand out to some of our old customers," said the salesman. "Instead of making an exact pound of anything they buy we make it a fraction over, which tickles them nearly to death. Of course we are particular to let them see they are getting more than their money's worth; hence we keep their trade."

I next asked how the store made up for this extra allowance. "That's dead easy," was the reply, "but as it is a trick of the trade I don't think we ought to tell everybody." "Perhaps other customers receive short weight?" "If they do, we don't let 'em know it."

"Maybe your prices are just a fraction over the market?" "Never! We sell cheaper than anybody." "Maybe your goods are inferior?" At that he quailed.

Referring to a dictionary, I learned that butter weight is an allusion to a custom of exacting seventeen or eighteen ounces or even more to the pound of butter, possibly on the ground that the water in it would soon evaporate and bring the pound down to sixteen ounces. In Scotland iron weight (twenty-one to twenty-eight ounces to the pound) was used in buying butter.—New York Press.

When Wagner Fled.

Richard Wagner, the composer, was an ardent republican in 1849. In the archives of Dresden there is a document setting forth a case of high treason against the musician. He was accused of having written to a friend a letter proposing to turn Saxony into a republic. "But whom shall we make president?" he asked. "I see nobody competent for the office except our present sovereign, Frederick Augustus II." Frederick Augustus does not seem to have appreciated the humor of the suggestion that he should doff the crown and content himself with the dignity of a republican president. For this flash of unconscious fun Wagner had to bolt to Switzerland.

Artificial Eyes.

The first false eye was a metal band which gripped the head and was fitted with a plate to cover the blind eye, covered with leather on which an eye was painted. Then came shells, like halves of nutshells, of gold, silver or copper, enameled or painted to resemble an eye and inserted under the eyelid. As an improvement upon these, artificial eyes were made of porcelain and at last of glass.

Its Peculiarity.

"Did you ever notice anything funny about his conversation?"

"Funny? I should say not. There's absolutely no point to it."

"That's the funny part of it. Having no point to it, how is it that he bores so quickly?"—Philadelphia Press.

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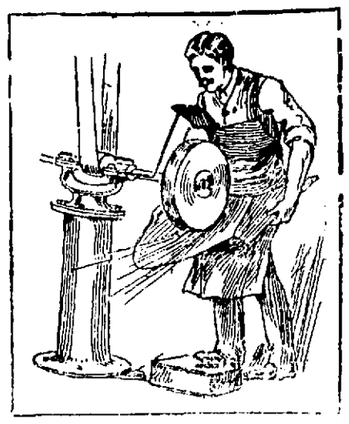

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